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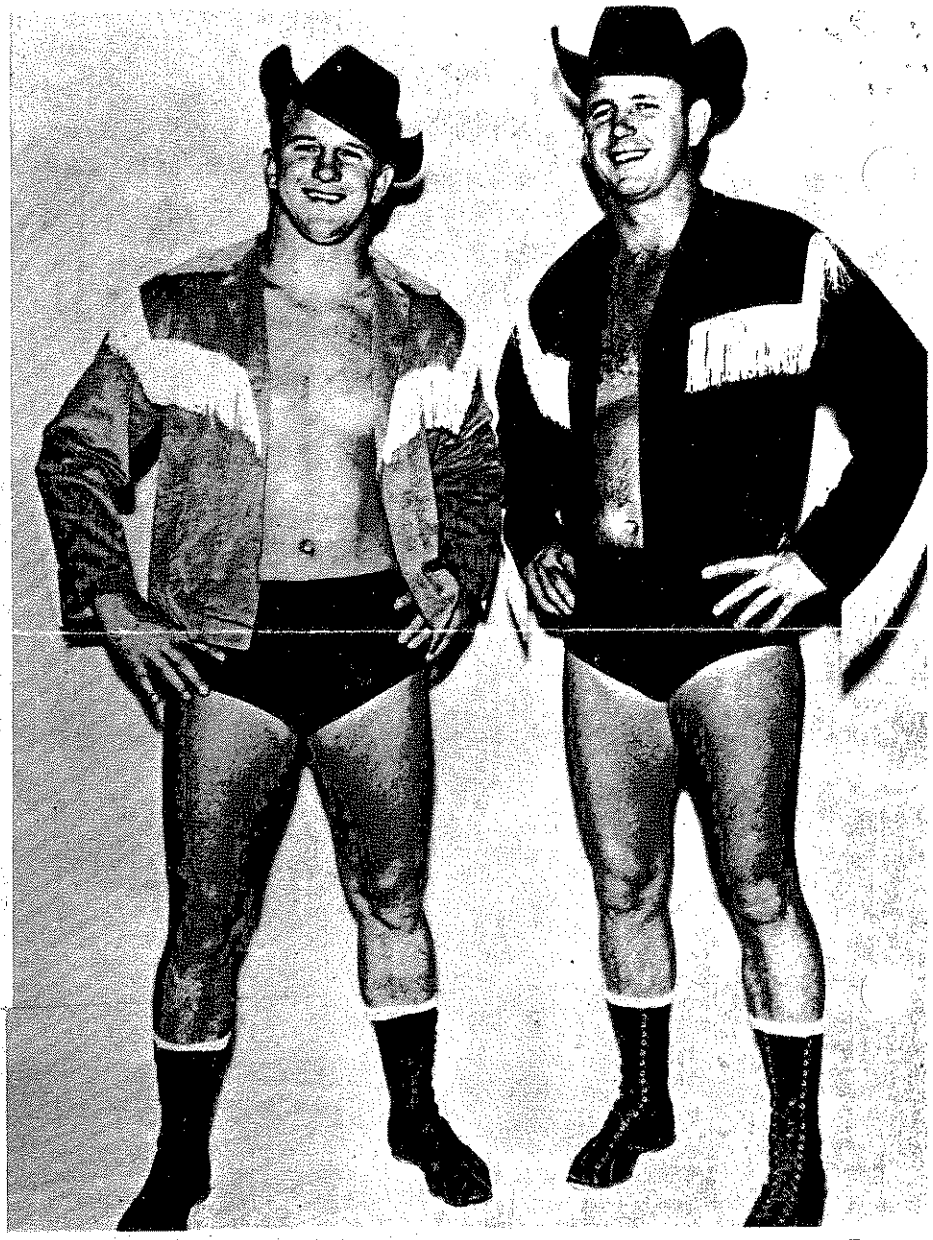

THE FUNK BROTHERS—TERRY (LEFT) AND DORY, JR.

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AMERICAN AND CANADIAN RATINGS

In each issue of MATMANIA, we rate the men of the United States and Canada on basis of their skill and ability. Our system is unique, so a word about it will be necessary. Each of our officers sends me their ideas as to the 30 best men and using a reverse point system, that is 30 for number one, 29 for number two and so forth, we arrive at our final figures.

This issue there were ten such lists submitted, containg a total of 75 different men, of whom 19 were listed on only one list. Only seven men were listed on each list they being Kiniski, Thesz, Kowalski, Miller, Gagne, Snyder, Shibuya, O'Connor. There were a total of 300 possible points.

Below, then, are our ideas of the thirty best men of this country. As always, this tends to reflect the men of both Japan and Australia as well as Europe and England. As always, we stress that these ratings are not official but only our ideas of the best around. The points received by each man will be included after his name.

1. Gene Kiniski, 296 points
2. Fritz Von Erich, 278 points
3. Verne Gagne, 241
4. Dick Afflis, 232
5. Lou Thesz, 223
6. Bruno Sammartino, 206
7. Shohei Baba, 186
8. Maurice Vachon, 183
9. Wilbur Snyder, 182
10. Johnny Valentine, 181
11. Bill Watts, 178
12. Ray Stevens, 170
13. Reggie Lisowski, 154
14. Destroyer, 152
15. Killer Kowalski, 146
16. Karl Gotch, 143
17. Bill Miller, 137
18. Bobo Brazil, 121
19. Gorilla Monsoon, 115
20. Pat O'Connor, 105
21. Kinji Shibuya, 97
22. Ernie Ladd, 81
23. Mark Lewin, 75
24. Bob Ellis, 73
25. Buddy Rogers, 67
26. Don DeNucci, 62
27. Don Leo Jonothan, 57
28. Ed Carpentier, 47
29. Bill Robinson and Jackie Fargo, 43
30. Horst Hoffman and The Shiek, 42

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New men this month include Rogers, Jonothan and Fargo. Both Fargo and Rogers made this ratings for the first time with this issue. Men moving up since last issue include Gagne, Baba, Valentine, Watts, Stevens, Monsoon and Lewin. Those dropping in the ratings include Thesz, Snyder, Lisowski, Destroyer, Gotch, O'Connor, Shibuya and Ellis. Only one man was eliminated this time, Eddie Graham. There were two ties, thus 32 men made it this issue.

As mentioned earlier, these ratings are in no way official, but only our ideas of who is the best around. The biggest news this issue is the jump by Baba, up from 19 last time to 7 this time, mainly on virtue of his wins over the Destryer and the Von Ericks. He is a darn good one and deserves the raise.

THE WORLDS MOST PERFECT

This section of the bulletin has once again raised the most comment in our last issue. As usual, we base this section on who has the most wins and losses in single matches. The rules that we've used are simple: first, a man has to be active in at least ten or more single matches; thus far, we have based it on matches thru October thru January.

This issue, we included few new results, as we only cleaned up all matches missed thru the end of January. This time around, there are 15 men with no losses during that period. One new man was added since last issue, Billy White Wolf. The records are basically the same as last issue, so will not include them this time. The men with no losses are:

Gene Kiniski, 23 wins, no losses and 5 draws
Gordon Nelson, 20 wins, 2 draws
Kintaro Oki, 19 wins, 3 draws
The Batman, Pittsburgh style, 23 wins, 1 draw
Fred Curry, 14 wins, 3 draws, one no contest
Don Leo Jonothan, 17 wins, 2 draws
Jose Lothario, 9 wins, 3 draws
Luther Lindsey, 13 wins, 1 draw
Jim Raske, 10 wins, no draws
Enrico Torres, 10 wins, no draws
Billy White Wolf, 8 wins, 1 draw, 2 no contests
Johnny Weaver, 10 wins, no draws
Gordon Nelson, twice listed. Shma,e, Burt
Shohei Baba, 11 wins, no losses
Joe Hamilton, 8 wins, 2 draws
Kanji Inoki, 12 wins, 2 draws, 2 no contests

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There are 14 men with no wins. They are: Frank Hickey, Roberto Gonzalez, Nick Adams, Mark Anthony of Australia, Chico Cortez, George Drake, Fujiwara, Jim Grahmire Bob Hamby, Ken Jay, Francisco Rios, Steve Stanlee, Mammoth Suzuki of Japan, and Sweet Daddy Watts.

We will exclude the lists of those with most wins and losses this time, as there was very little change. Next issue, though, with the addition of the complete February results, the change will be great.

Two of the men listed above are no longer fully active: Rsoke and Joe Hamilton. Thus, we will probably discontinue listing them. If we find them again active, we will re-instate them. This may also be the case with Mammoth Suzuki, unlees he again starts working in Japan.

Just a word or two about wins and losses. While a man may lose many of his bouts, this does not give a complete indication of his over-all talent and ability. He may be facing the very best men around, and lose many of his bouts only after long, hard battles. Others, such as Adams, Stanlee and so forth are excellent men, but are either new-comers to the game or are villians who are veterans of long standing. In either case, they do not receive as many wins as would others. Both in-experience and over-exposure will detract from the number of wins gotten by these and other men. Thus, the above listings of losses mean little unlees a complete record is available. Make sense? This also goes for the other way around, a man meeting only preliminary men with little or no ability is bound to have more wins than a man going against all the top men. Some of the men with no losses above have that record established over some rather questionable opposition. Altho I love this section, it means little without the complete record of the men in question.

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Gordon Nelson, listed on the previous page as being undefeated, is well known in this country. He has wrestled here often in the past, and is currently appearing in Great Britain as the Outlaw. As mentioned, a man's being listed as undefeated means little without a complete record of his matches during the period covered. Thus, below is his record during the period covered herein.

5 Oct 66	Sheffield	Mel Roach	won
14 Oct	Bolton	Mike Marino	won
20 Oct	Wimbledon	Prince Maivia	won
22 Oct	London TV	Dave Larsen	won
29 Oct	Newcastle	Mike Marino	won
24 Nov	Bolton	Dave Cox	won
14 Dec	Glasgow	~~Albert Wall~~ Johnny Allan	won
25 Dec (15)	Paisley	Ian Campbell	drew
9 Dec	Liverpool	Albert Wall	won
17 Dec	Belle Vue	Enrique Edo Juan	won
17 Dec	Hudderfield TV	Enrique Edo Juan	won
18 Dec 66	Brighton	Josef Zaranoff	won
9 Jan 67	Wembley	Tibor Szakacs	won
13 Jan	Rochestor	Togo Tani	won
14 Jan	Eastbourne	Joe Cornelius	won
17 Jan	Lime Grove	Curtis Iaukea	won
19 Jan	Preston	Billy Howes	won
21 Jan	Newcastle	George Bollas	won disq
25 Jan	Ross-on-Rye, oops, Wye	Count Bartelli	dual disq
27 Jan	Newcastle	George Bollas	won disq
28 Jan	Hanley	Billy Howes	won
10 Feb	Bolton	Count Bartelli	won
16 Feb	Westbury	Mike Marino	won
27 Feb	Bradford	Barry Douglas	won
28 Feb	Lime Grove	Joe Cornelius	won

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His over-all record during the five month period is 23 wins, 1 draw and the equivalent of one no contest. His opponents include some of the very best men around the area, and all are above average there, with only Roach, Larsen and Douglas being below average. Some points of interest; For one, the few matches we have of his during various periods; is he active and we just miss the results or is he inactive? Numer two: both Bollas and Count Bartelli wrestle masked, as does Nelson. A masked man going against another masked man is very rare; it is like the Assassins going against the Red Raiders; most unusual. Sometime soon, we will have to do Gordon's full life histroy. He is a great, young wrestler and has all the makings of a top star. Him's a goodie.

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If, by any chance, any of our members in the above areas have any missing results on Nelson, I'd appreciate receiving them. One additonal point on a results listing as above: a top man usually works at the top venues on the circuit. Makes sense a bit, no? It is easy to assume that most of the spots listed above are among the most important in England. I'd appreciate knowing if this is so, and an idea of the seating capacity of the spots in question. Many thanks.

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If interested in fotos of Gordon Nelson and others of this country and the world, the most complete source now and ever more is Boyd Pierce of P.O. Box C, Burleson, Texas. 76028. He has a complete list of all those available, and sends them to you free of charge. Drip (drop) him a line; I'm sure you'll like and enjoy his work and service.

RESULTS FROM GREAT BRITAIN

13 Oct. WIMBLEDON. Ed Capelli W Alan Sergeant. Tibor Szakacs W Wildcat Garcia. Ken Joyce KO Lindy Calader. White Angels W Steve Haggetty and Danny Lynch.
10 Nov. WIMBLEDON. Peter Rann W Stefan Milla. Al Miquet W Brian Maxine. Julien Morice W Sergeant. Miquet W Rann. Miquet W Morice. Billy and Doug Joyce W Commancheros.11
11 Nov. LIVERPOOL. Jose Rodriguez W Barry Cannon. Nagasaki W T. Szakavs. Royal and Faulkner W Silent Ones. John Cox W Leon Arras.
16 Nov. ROYAL ALBERT HALL. Dave Morgan W Ivan Penzekoff. Prince Maivia D Ray Hunter. Pat Barrett W Bruno Elrington disq. Maxine W Johnny Williams. Jackie Pallo W Paco Pastor. John Yearsley W Rene Marques.
22 Nov. HEMEL HEMPSTEAD. Jim Breaks W Miquet. Maxine KO Andrain Street. Spencer Churchill W War Cloud. Sergeant W Bobby Barnes.
23 Nov. LINCOLN. Outlaw (not G. Nelson) W Dai Sullivan disq. Reg Ray W Cyril Knowles. Art Dempsey W Eric Taylor. Earl McCready W Al Martini.
25 Nov. LIVERPOOL. Dennis Matchell W Johnny Allan. Nagasaki W Hans Streiger. Bill Robinson W T. Szakacs. Breaks W Ted Hannon.
1 Dec. BRISTOL. Churchill W Penzekoff. Wayne Bridges W Yuri Borienko disq. Street W J. Williams. Johnny Cseslaw KO Bob Kirkwood. Robinson D T. Szakacs.
1 Dec. WIMBLEDON. Pasquale Salvo KO Nino Pizzarro. Prince Kumali W Yearsley. Hunter W Josef Zaranoff. Tony and Ignatio Borg W Dick Conlon and Milla.
3 Dec. EASTBOURNE. Pallo W Pizzarro. Wildman W Kirkwood. Kalman Gaston D Penzekoff. Morgan W Bill Torontos.
7 Dec. LINCOLN. Red Devil vs Man Mountain, dual disq. Cheyenne D Brian Tetz. Al Martini W Karato. Ray and Dwight J. Ingleburgh W Knowles and Eddie Costello.
8 Dec. WIMBLEDON. Sean Regan W Czeslaw. Steve Logq n W Kirkwood. Reg Trood W Jean Morandi. Penzekoff and Hsggetty W Caulder and Kwango.
9 Dec. BOLTON. Royal and Faulkner W Keith and Jerry Martinelli. Alf Cadman W Benny Ginsberg. Terry Downs D Chic Purvey. Billy Howes W Streiger disq.
9 Dec. LIVERPOOL. Nelson W Wall. Robanson W Jim Hussey disq. Pallo W Arras. Peter and Jon Cortez W Jack Dempsey and Melvyn Riss.
10 Dec. SOUTHPORT TV. Royal and Faulkner W Joe Keegan and Colin Joynson. Peter Stewart W Les Herberts. Cox W Gene Rowlands. Robinson W Gwynn Davies.
14 Dec. SHOREDITCH. Bartelli KO Hussey. Bollas W Maivia. Kwango D Czeslaw. Syed Saif Shah W Yearsley. Trevors W Barnes.
15 Dec. WIMBLEDON. T. Szakacs KO Wildman. Pallo D Ken Joyce. Mister X KO Steve Voidor. Lynch W Czeslaw.
16 Dec. BOLTON. Davies W Zaranoff. Johnny Eagles D Mike Dallas. Terry Nylands W Jim Mellor. Cox W Dave Larsen.
17 Dec. BELLE VUE. Nelson W Juan. Pallo W Howes disq. Rodriguez W Mike Bennett. Ian Campbell KO Curtis Laukea.
17 Dec. HUDDERSFIELD TV. Steve Clements W Jeff Kaye. Wall D Mike Marino. Breaks W John Cortez. Nelson KO Juan. Pallo W Rodriguez.
21 Dec. GLASGOW. Alan Colbeck W Mike Eagers. Clements W Steve Best. Dennis Mitchell W Mike Barone. Roy St. Clair D Larsen.
4 Jan. GLASGOW. Royal and Faulkner W Purvey and Tom Dowie. Bennett D J. Williams. Masambula W Lee Sharron. Larsen NC Johnny Allan.
5 Jan. LANARK. Mick McManus W Jim McKenzie. Roy St. Clair W Zimba. Ealges JO Kaye. McMichael NC Ian Gimore.
11 Jan. GLASGOW. Campbell NC Nagasaki. Barry Dougals D Juan. Wall KO Douglas. McKenzie D Kaye.
18 Jan. GLASGOW. Breaks D Cannon. Vento Castillo W Mick James. Colbeck W Clements Den Mitchell W Hussey disq.
18 Jan. LINCOLN. Blackburn Roberts W Karl Krammer. Mairia Rivoldi W Blonde Bombshell disq. girls. Mike Holt W Stoker Brookes. Knowles and Art Dempsey W Ray and Ingleburgh.
27 Jan. NEWCASTIE. Nelson W Bollas disq. Davies W Cox. Jimmy Saville KO Purvey. Breaks W Alan Dennison.
8 Feb. LINCOLN. Saville W Purvey disq. Denis Mitchell W Wall. Colbeck W Al Nicol Scorpion W Steve Best.

4 Mar. BOLTON. Davies W Reg Williams. Eagers D Purvey. Vis Stewart KO Achmed the Turk. Howes W Masambula.
8 Mar. LINCOLN. Ricki Starr W Hussey. Dave Bryson W Ken Manning. Clements W Best.
22 Apr. BELL VUE. Cortez Bros W Dennisons disq. Masambula W Howes disq. Robinson W Zaranoff. Marino W Don Stedman.
24 Apr. CHELTENHAM. Kwango W McManus disq. Zaranoff W Ezzard Hart. Zoltan Bosoik D Tony Borg. Capelli D Maxine.
24 Apr. HIGH WYCOMBE. Maivia W Yearsley. Czeslaw W Clayton Thomson. Peter Szakacs W Young Robby. Coualder D Salvo.
24 Apr. BRADFORD. Royal and Faulkner NC Cortez Bros. John Lees W Rowlands. Eagers W Williams. Breaks D Marice.
26 Apr. OXFORD. Zaranoff W Veidor. Shah D Regan. Kendall W Torontos. Peter Szakacs NC Ken Joyce.
28 Apr. BOLTON. Shah W Streiger disq. Howes KO Haggetty. Street D Leon Fortuna. Sharron KO Keith Williams.
29 Apr. NORWICH. Rann W Penzekoff. Logan KO Kirkwood. Maivia D Regan. Doug Joyce KO Alan Fontayne.
29 Apr. BELLE VUE. Hussey W Sharron. Gilmore D Jack Dempsey. Bill Rawlings W Peter Kay. Billy Joyce W Roy St. Clair.
29 Apr. HANLEY. Martinellis W Karalius Bros. Davies W Streiger. Shah W Peter Stewart. Fortuna W Street.

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As noted last month, Billy Robinson won the British Heavyweight title from Billy Joyce on 23 Jan in Bradford. Robinson already held the European title, thus he could easily be called the best in the entire area, and possibly the world. To check this out, I went thru my records of the period covered in the "Who's Best" time period to get his record. Below:::

5 Oct	Glasgow	Billy Joce	won
19 Oct	Bath	Oscar Verdu	won
20 Oct	Bristol	Bruno Elrington	won
22 Oct	Belle Vue	Steve Veidor	won
23 Oct	Blackpool	Hans Streiger	won disq
16 Nov	Sheffield	Ian Campbell	won disq
19 Nov	Newcastle	Billy Joyce for Brittish title	lost
25 Nov	Liverpool	Tibor Szakacs	won
28 Nov	Wembley	Hans Streiger	???
1 Dec	Bristol	Tibor Szakacs	drew
9 Dec	Liverpool	Jim Hussey	won disq
10 Dec	Southport TV	Gwynn Davies	won
12 Dec	Bradford	Billy Joyce	lost disq
17 Dec 66	Newcastle	John Lees	won
7 Jan	Newcastle, tourney	Leon Arras	won
		Lee Sharron	won
9 Jan	Bradford	Mike Marino	won
21 Jan	Hanley	Hans Streiger	won
23 Jan	Bradford	Billy Joyce for title	won
30 Jan	Leeds	Tibor Szakacs	won
8 Feb	Ellesmore Port	Count Bartelli	NC
10 Feb	Bolton	Gene Rowlands	won
11 Feb	Hansley	John Lees	won
20 Feb	Bradford	John Lees	won
25 Feb	Newcastle	Mike Merino	won

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Of the men listed in our top ten of Great Britain last issue, Robinson, met five of them, losing only two bouts, both to Billy Joyce. He had one draw and one no contest, and 20 wins. In short, he is a great wrestler; of that, there is little doubt. And I am sure he would go over very well here.

BRITISH RATINGS

In each issue of MATMANIA (trumpets, please), we rate the men of Great Britain on virtue of their won/lost records. I've not yet heard how accurate they were last issue, or have any ideas from our members there, so will re-include them on the same basis as results.

Three sections, as before: Heavyweights, middleweights, and lightweights and welters toghhtor.

Heavies:

1. Billy Robinson, British and Eurpoean champion
2. Gordon Nelson
3. Billy Joce, ex-Bristish champion
4. Dennis Mitchell
5. Tibor Szakacs
6. Count Bartelli
7. Kendo Nagasaki
8. Gwynn Davies, the Welsh champion
9. Albert Wall
10. Doctor Death

Middleweights

1. Clayton Thomson, the British champion
2. Bert Royal, the ex-British champion
3. Tony Charles, the Welsh champion
4. Mick McManus, the Southern area welter champion
5. Jackie Pallo
6. Spencer Churchill
7. Vic Faulkner, the Eurpoean champion
8. The Scorpion
9. Ken Joyce
10. Peter Rann

Welter and Lightweights

1. Alan Sergeant, the British welter chqmpion
2. George Kidd, the World Lightweight champion
3. Brian Maxine
4. Jim Breaks, the British Lightweight champion
5. Alan Colbeck, the European welter champion
6. Johnny Williams, the Welsh welter and lightweight champion
7. Alan Miquet
8. Peter Szakacs
9. Eddie Capelli
10. Pasquale Salvo

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The only significant change in the heavyweight ratings is the inclusion of Albert Wall, winner over Joyce, Davies and Iaukea, he richly deserves a place in the top ten. Missing it Mike Marino, a man with 24 wins during the time covered. He does, tho, have losses to Nelson, Robinson, Ricki Starr, Robert Duranton, and others. I do wish I knew how good this man is, as his record is impressive; but those losses to Bruno Elrington and Ricki Starr exclude him from the ratings.

Ken Joyce is included for the first time in the middleweight section. With a win over Jackie Pallo and a draw with Sergeant, he can't be too bad of a wrestler. Dropped was Jimmy Saville, whose record is not as good as Joyce.

The welter ranks are virtually unchanged, other than a re-shuffling of the bottom of the stack. The records of Colbeck, Williams, Szakacs, Salvo, Capelli and Miquet are all so evenly balcned as to be impossible to judge them on basis of wins and losses. Someone there will have to decide this matter.

THE ANDERSON BROTHERS

Wrestling continues to attract record crowds throughout the Southern States, and of the major reasons, the Anderson Brothers stand tall. They are one of the roughest and most colorful teams around that area, and could be the major reason for those crowds.

The 225 lb Gene and his "little" brother Lars, who weighs 255, hail from Minnesota, where both graduated from college. Lars, a former Olympic wrestling star, majored in psychology. Both participated in every avaiable sport, with football and wrestling the most important to them.

Lars has a tremendous vocabulary and uses it to good advantage during his interviews. Here is a sample while in Atlanta. "All I can say to the Torres Brothers is that they are lucky to have crooked referees, friendly promoters, larcenous timekeepers, and relatives in the audience to help them."

The Andersons work well together and back up all of their fancy talk with wrestling skill and ability. They are fast, tag in and out frequently; all indications of good teamwork. Both have been successful in singles competition and make an unbeatable team. Even though Gene is the quiet half of the team, he can really dish out the punishment; just ask his opponents.

Currently wrestling in the Carolinas, they are literlally tearing up the opposition, causing injuries to Tex McKenzie, Joe Carollo and Sandy Scott. Previously, they appeared in the Atlanta area where they held the Southern Tag Team title, and had only a few disqualification losses to mar their record.

If the Andersons ever appear in your area, you can be sure of plenty of action and excitement. They go all out to win, knowing that each win makes them all the better as a team. Watch for them in your area soon.

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RESULTS FROM THE SOUTH

26 May. LYNCHBURG. Luke Brown and Tiny Smith, the Kentuckians, W Infernos, managed by J.C. Dykes. Bull Ramos W Pedro Godoy. Jesse James W Gene Dundee. Tony Romano W Frank Marconi.

27 May. ROANOKE. Kentuckians W Aldo Bogni and Bronco Lubich. Klondike Bill W Dundee Godoy W Billy Garrett. Greg Peterson D Romano.

29 May. CHARLOTTE. George Becker, Johnny Weaver and Haystacks Calhoun W Bogni, Lubich and Homer O'Dell. Kentuckians W Mummy and Ramos. Emma Wright W Marva Scott. Amazing Zuma W Kurt von Stroheim.

29 May. MEMPHIS. Blue Infernos NC Great Yamaha and Corsica Joe. Vince Palmer W Rick Miller. Red Demon W Bill Spears. Cora Combs W Mae Goodner. Billy Wicks D Bull Montana.

29 May. WEST PALM BEACH. Hurricane Castellb D Bob Nandor. Ronnie Garvin W Les Welch. Sam Steamboat W Great Malenko. Lotherio and Terry Funk W Monroe Bros.

29 May. BIRMINGHAM. Tom Drake W Red Robert. Treach Phillips and Dynamite Lindsey W Billy Sky and Spyros Kontos. Hines Bros and Len Rossi W Tyler Bros and Eric von Brauner.

31 May. MOBILE. Ken Lucas and Bobby Fields W Carsons Bros. Dagmar W Lil. Chin Lee W Jack Bence.

2 June. ATLANTA. Mister Kleen W Jack Vansky. Dennis Hall and Rick Hunter W Oki Shikina and Black Jack. Timmy Geohagen W Ronnie Garvin. Torres Bros W Bobby Graham and Loie Tillet. Mongul W Tim Woods.

3 June. MEMPHIS TV. Jackie Fargo W Roberts. Blue Infernos W Wicks and Kontos.

5 June. BIRMINGHAM. Rossi W Eric Von B. Phillips and Lindsey W Montana and Bob Hamby. Tyler Bros W Hines Bros. This is Tim and Rip Tyler.

5 June. BREENVILLE, N.C. Chuy and Carollo W Infernos. Anderson Bros W Nelson Royal and Zuma. Jerry London W Larry Hamilton disq. Wright W Marva Scottt.

5 June. MEMPHIS. Blue Infernos W Joe and Yamaha. Herb Welch W Lou Thesz disq. Ozark Mountain won royal. Wicks D Mario Galento. Demon W Bill Sky. Spears W Joe Sky.

6 June. PENSACOLA. Cobra W Billy Hines. Dick Dunn W Chico Cortez. Lucas W Don Carson. Fields NC Rip Carson.

6 June. RALEIGH. Kentuckians W Andersons disq. Royal W Hamilton. Bill and Peterson W Frank Hickey and Godoy. Chuy W Dundee.
7 June. MIAMI BEACH. Steamboat and Bronco Kelly W Hiro Matsuda and Bill Dromo. Malenko W Harry Smith. Roger Kirby W Marconi. Les Thatcher W Johnny Heideman.
7 June. MOBILE. Dunn W Cortez. Cobra W Hines. Carsons W Fields and Lucas.
7 June. NASHVILLE. Yamaha W Montana. Fargo and Rossi W Tylers. Galento and Red Demon W Sky Bros.
9 June. ATLANTA. Gene Kiniski W Thesz. Torres Bros W Paul and Stan Vachon. Woods, Geohagen and Buddy Fuller W Mongul, Black Jack and Al Perez. Gunkel W B. Graham. Jerry Graham W Hall. Hunter D Tillet. Kleen W Billy Hines.
10 June. PENSACOLA. Lucas W Bobby Whitlock. Dunn and Lucas W Carsons.
12 June. MEMPHIS. Blue Infernos W Jackie and Don Fargo. Joe W Montana. H. Welch D Eric von B. Galento W Spears.
12 June. BIRMINGHAM. Rossi W Lindsey. Hines Bros W Tylers. Yamaha and Tomaya Sato W Garrettt an Muldoon. Note this match.
12 June. ORLANDO. Marconi W Nandor. Kocmuka and Matsuda W Harry Smith and Steamboat. Wahoo McDaniels and Thesz W Malenko and Dromo.
14 June. MOBILE. Whitlock W Cortez. Dunn W Cobra. Carsons W Fields and Lucas.
16 June. CHARLESTON. Becker W O'Dell. Waever W Hamilton. Bogni and Lubich W George Scott and Don Chuy. Clahoun W Bence. Penny Banner W Tammy Jones.
17 June. PENSACOLA TV. Lucas W Cobra. Fields and Dunn D Carsons.

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In the last issue, we mentioned that this area had been going down hill of late as far as new talent is concerned. Immediately there-after, the Carolinas got the Kentuckians, the Andersons, Hickey, Bence, and Frank Hickey. With the Infernos and the Andersons in one area, NOTHING is going to be dull. The Atlanta area got Jerry Graham, the two Vachons, Rick Hunter, Al Perez, Garrett, Mr. Kleen, and others for visits. The Memphis area got Jackie's borther, Don Fargo. If they are as wild as team as in times past, fasten your seat belts. Altho I have no results on them here P.Y. Chung and Great Sasaki are also new to the Carolinas. The Florida circuit and the Mobile circuit are the only two with no new big names this past month, and they still had visits from some of the top names, including Lou Thesz. Billy Hines and B Bence jumped around, hitting various of the areas.

In short, after a brief period of nothing drastically exciting, the area picked up like a bolt out of the blue. If I had any idea in the world that my screeching had anything to do with it, I'd do so from now to hen H*** freezes over.

The Red Demon mentioned on some of the Memphis cards is probably Jimmy Hines, the brother of Billy. P.Y. Chung is, of course, Tojo Yamamoto recently departed fro the Memphis area into the Carolinas. I've promised not to tell anyone that Stav Vachon is really Stan Pulaski, so will not do so. That one match with Muldoon is a bit kicky; he is also the Ozark Mountain, as indicated last issue.

I am continually inrigued by these areas. There are actually seven different promotional groups in operation here. The two largest, the Carolinas and the Mobile office, run 18 and 19 citys a week, each, respectively. The Tampa area has 14, the Memphis has at least 9, the Atlanta, at least 7. And these are only live bouts, not TV. That is at least 57 live bouts a week between the five major promotional groups. Add in the Mississippi group out of Gulport, the independant men, out of Bowling Green, and you probably have at least 70 weekly spots. Plus all of their TV spots. As mentioned earlier, they have more wrestling than all of the rest of the country put together. They's wild, boobies.

There is just the slightest possibilty that Dynamite Lindsey is he who is Doug Gilbert. If possible, I'll find out before this bulletin is completed. One other item; Leo Gariboldi is still wrestling a bit, escpecially is Savannah, Ga. No results thus far, tho. Sorry.

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L&, 17 May. SPRINGFIELD. Lorenzo Parente W Chati Yokouchi. Tarzan Baxter W Nikita Mulkovitch. Ronnie Etchison D Shikuna. Mulkovitch, Shikuna and Yokouchi W Baxter, Parente and Etchison.
20 May. DUNCAN, OKLA. Red McKim W Baxter. Etchison W Rip Collins. Danny Hodge W Bobby Shane.
22 May. SHREVEPORT. Baxter W Etchison. Kay Noble W Jessica Rogers. Yokouchi and Shikina NC Gorgeous George and Juan Sebastian.
27 May. OKLA CITY TV. Hodge and Sndor Akbar W Robert Pico and Pancho Rosario. Eddie Sullivan W Baxter disq.
1 June. LONGVIEW, TEX. Gerald Brisco D Sebastian. Little Cloud and Christanello W Toni Rose and Boucher. Hodge W Baxter.
6 June. LITTLE ROCK. Assassins NC Yokouchi and Shikuna. George W Collins. Bobby Hart W Pico.
10 June. SPRINGDALE, ARK. Rogers and Christanello W Boucher and Rose. McKim W Baxter. Rogers W Boucher. Rose W Christanello.
12 June. TULSA. Shikuna and Yokouchi W Hodge and Akbar. Sullivan W Ruben Costello Sebastian W Hart. George W Rosario.
13 June. LITTLE ROCK. Shikuna and Yokouchi W Assassins for title. Assassins W Hodge and Akbar. Sebastian W Hart.
14 June. SPRINGFIELD. Shikuna and Yokouchi W Akbar and McKim. G. Brisco W Costillo McKim W Yokouchi. Akbar D Shikuna.

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As noted last issue, Shikuna and Yokouchi beat Jack Brisco and Gorgeous George for the U.S. title on 19 May in Oklahoma City. Again, above, they won the same title, this time in Little Rock. This double tittle win has happened before, always in connection with Little Rock. There is a possibility that Arkansas has separate titles than does the other areas of the Ozarks.

The only major new arrival is Gerald Brisco, the younger brother of Jack. I know little about him, other than that he was an amateur wrestler of some note, and has carried that same talent and ability into the prop ring.

The team of Shikuna and Yokouchi are one of the wildest combos to come along in years. Manged by Nikita Mulkovitch, the rough ole campaigner, they have taken the Ozark area by storm. Originally from Jqpan, but wrestling in England until recently, they are a great team. We mentioed in the last issue that both had been working in England. Shikuna did so under the name of Togo Tani, Yokouchi under that name. Chati is the younger of the two, while Shikuna has been around for many years. Following is their record since moving into the arwa from England.

3 Apr	Tuls	Brisco and Sullivan	won
4 apr	Little Rock	Brisco and Sullivan	won
5 Apr	Springfield	Hart and Sullivan	won
7 Apr	Okla City	Hart and Hodge	won
8 Apr	Okla City TV	Sullivan and Baxter	won
10 Apr	Tulsa	Geohagen and Parente	???
14 Apr	Okla City	Geohagen and George	won
15 Apr	Okla City TV	Hart and Jerry London	won
17 Apr	Tulsa	Parente and Baxter	won
21 Apr	Okla City	Hart and Sullivan	won
22 Apr	Oka City TV	Baxter and Parente	NC
27 Apr	Longview	Red Raiders	won
29 Apr	Okla City TV	Baxter and Hart	won
1 May	Tulsa	Red Raiders	won
2 May	Little Rock	Red Raiders	???
3 May	Springfield	Red Raiders	won
5 May	Okal City	Red Raiders	won

6 May	Okla City TV	Buddy Carr and Sullivan	won
8 May	Shreveport	Hodge and Sullivan	lost disq
10 May	Springfield	Sebastian and Hodge	lost
12 May	Okla City	Baxter and Sullivan	won
15 May	Tulsa	Brisco and George	won
17 May	Springfield with Mulkovitch	vs Baxter, Parente and Etchison	won
19 May	Okla City	Brisco and George for title	won
22 May	Shreveport	Sebastian and George	NC
26 May	Okla City	Assassins	won
28 May	Tulsa	George and Sebastian	won

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As noted from above, they have met some good teams, winning all but two of ther bouts. One loss by a disqualification, the other normally. Two losses in 27 bouts. And that, boobies, is a darn good record. But, something bothers me. Try to explain, Uncle Burt; I dare you to do it. Or at least to try.

Here goes. The Ozark circuit has a regular six spot route on which the men go. The major cities are Tulsa, Little Rock, either Springfield or Whichita Falls, blank on Thursday, then Oklahoma City and Joplin. That Thursday night spot is possibly New Orleans. There are secondary spots such as Shreveport on Monday, Tyler Texas on Friday and others. Plus spot shows such as Enid, Duncan, Lebanon and others. A major combo hitting the area will hit mainly the main spots. And on a regular basis not just hit and miss. As noted above, the team of Yokouchi and Shikuna did not hit all of the major spots, much less on a regular basis. So what does it mean? I'm not completely sure. Possibly the promoters are not sure of the drawing power of the t team? Possibly the title is in their hands for only a short time and the promoters do not want the fans to see them with the belts? I'm not sure, I'm just not sure of what it means. In any case, there are times when we miss a week without any of their results. I have those of the cities in question, but none on them. What does this mean? Other cities on which we miss the results? They are just not octive? Again, I am just not sure of what it means.....

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There are a few facts of which we can be sure: first, they are working full time The promoters are too smart to bring a team here from England and then not use them. Where, tho, is a different matter. One other point of fact or conjecture is this: one city on the circuit, the promoter does pretty much what he feels like. His cards are usually quite different than in any other city, and the fans appreciate this and have been known to travel a hundred miles or more to go there. Shikuna and Yokouchi did not appear there once during the two months above. Something is strange in Denmark, my dears.

Again, what does it all mean? A wild guess would be that the team is not going to be in the Ozarks for any length of time. Or to have the title for any length of time. Watch for both Jack Brisco and Jerry Kozak to return soon, and one or the other to win the title. Sighsville.

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A few apologies are necessary. Red McKim did not retire. He is not a policeman but a fireman. Mike Clancy is the policeman. Sorry, everyone. Also, Buddy Carr is not he who is known as Johnny Higgins. That is JOHNNY Carr. I hd the impression at one time that I was perfect; then I started to breathe.

Did anyone figure out the name by which Juan Sebastian was known in his younger days? I'll not tell, but I will admit it if you guess.

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23May. SEDALIA. Sonny Myers and Earl Maynard W Jack Donovan and Bob Brown. Rick Hunter W Viking. Steve Bolus W Lee Henning. Maynard D Brown.
1 June. KANSAS CITY. Bob Ellis W Brown. Bolus W Bob Geigel. Viking W Donovan. Tiny Mills W Gulittine Gordon. Myers and Maynard D Tor Kamata and Bobby Orton.
4 June. CEDAR RAPIDS. Maynard W Geigel. Donovan W Viking.
9 June. ST. JOSEPH. Myers W Viking for Central States title. Maynard and Ronnie Etchison W Donovan and Geigel. Kamata W Gordon. Marvin Knapp W Nick Adams. Earl Maynard W Geigel. 1806 fans.
15 June. KANSAS CITY. Geigel and Brown W Bolus and Viking. Bob Kappel W Gordon. Myers W Bob Boyer. Maynard W Kamata. Mills W Phil Christy.
16 June. ST. JOSEPH. Kappel W Mills. Jean Antone W Betty Nicoli. Bolus W Chrsty. Viking W Boyer. Myers and Etchison W Geigel and Brown for tag title.

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With the additons of Boyer, Kappel and Christy, this area has three of the best young men in the field of wrestling. Add in two old codgers like Etchison and Orton and the area is rapidly looking up. All are great men and will add a great deal of ability.

The major title-holders at this writing here are Jack Donovan, holder of the U.S. belt; Myers, the Central States title-holder; Myers and Etchison, the tag champs. I doubt if any of them lose said title within the next few months. A strange item: Geigel and Brown defended their title twice in a month's time, and then lost it. A bitt of a laffer for them.

With the new men in the area in this past month, plus Nick Adams last month, the area still has had more men around there for a longer period of time than any other area. Men like The Viking, Jack Donovan and Tor Kamata have been there for two years or longer. All are good, exciting men who could be as popular or un-popular elsewhere. Others, like Myers, Geigel, Brown and some of the others, have been there far so logg as to be unbeleavable. I've made a promise not to say anything anti-promoter in this issue, so will get off of this subject immedately. But I will say, in passing, that the area has been going down hill both in attendance and in the number of spots run for some time. Once one of the major circuits in the world of wrestling, it is now only six major spots, plus a couple of TV ones. The promoters had better do something and do something soon. SOON.

Like quit?

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I do wish I could say something good about Gust Karras, as he is one of my favourite people in wrestling. One of the oldest current promoters, he has run his area for years and years. He visits each of his major cities at least once a month, and guides and directs the entire area with a golden hand and an iron will. He has advisers, tho, who do not fully compliment his great talents. These assistants are the major reason for a set-back in the Heart of America.

One of the problems of this area stem from the fact that St. Joseph is the home area of more wrestlers than any other similarly sized city. The Hamilton Brothers, Myers, Hagen, Geigel, O'Connor, Brown, Red Berry, Orton Etchison and others live or have lived near there, and wrestle there frequently. Sometimes they have been there exclusively for months and even years. These home-based men, altho they may be extremely popular, have been the basis of the talent of the Heart of America region for far too long. I would heartily recommend a complete house-cleaning, getting rid of each and every man who has been there for over that three or four month period, and getting in an entirely new group. Only then will the area be able to hold its own with the rest of the wrestling world.

RESULTS FROM ST. LOUIS

13 May. TV. John Bladell W Pico. Angelo Poffo D Lee Henning. Gene Kiniski W Rick Junter. Guy Mitchell W Moose Cholak disq. Bob Duncan W Thor Kamata.
20 May. TV. Viking NC Kamata. Reggie Lisowski W Thor Hagen. Knikski W Mitchell. Myers and Carpentier W Henning and Jack Donovan.
27 May. TV. Hunter NC Viking. Earl Maynard W Nick Adams. Carpentier W Kamata. Arakawa D John Paul Henning.
3 June. TV. Gegel D Maynard. Betty Niccli W Joan Antone. Donovan W Steve Bolus. J.P. Henning NC Lisowski. Parente W Adams.

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No comment.

TEST YOUR WRESTLING IQ

1. Name the major wrestling arena in the following cities:
   a, Detroit
   b, San Francisco
   c, Los Angeles
   d, Manchester
   e, Dallas
2. Favourite Holds. Give the favourite holds of the following:
   a, Curtis Iaukea
   b, Ray Stevens
   c, Verne Gagne
   d, Johnny Powers
   e, Jack Lanza
3. Nicknames. Give the famous nicknames of the following:
   a, Reggie Lisowski
   b, Dick Afflis
   c, Ernie Bemis
4. Give the names of five people who have wrestled as the Executioner within the past five years.

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There are eighteen possible points above. A perfect score is entirely possible. 15 or above, and you're a wrestling genuis. Above ten, and you are the average fan. Less than five, and you are still the favourite of all promoters, in other words, you're stupid.

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Answers to last months IQ. Larry Hulin is also known as Bobby Grahm, Masked Hersules and in Australia as Bob Baker. Red Benson is the Alaskan, alias Jay York, also as the Masked Terror.

The San Francisco promoter is Roy Shires; Los Angeles, Jules Strongbow, Toronto, Frank Tunney, Chicago, Don Luce, Abilene, Don Slatton, Longview, Leonard Clay.

Art Michalik played for the 49ers, Joe Carollo for the Los Angeles Rams, Kiniski for the Edmonton Eskimos, Gene Limscomb for the Chicago Bears, Wahoo McDaniels for the Miami Dolphins.

The three Torres Bros are Enrico, Ramon and Al. Three Lewins are Donn, Mark and Ted. Three Garibaldis are Gino, Ralph and Chick.

Father and sons combos are Warren and Nick Bockwinkle, Dory Funk Jr ahx Sr. Bull and Fred Curry, Gino and Leo Gariboldi, Brother and Don Leo Jonothan, Andreas and Antonio Lambreakis, and Orville and Richard Brown.

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And I had to look.

RESULTS FROM THE AWA

16 May. MOLINE. Johnny Powers W Reggie Lisowski. Ernie Ladd W Harley Race. Beaver and Bradley W Low Low and Cassidy. Rene Goulet W Bob Boyer.
17 May. LINCOLN. Beaver W Cassidy. Low Low W Bradley. Bobby Orton W Steve Bolus. Rick Hunter, Beaver and Bradley W Stan Pulaski, Low Low and Cassidy. Dale Lewis and Francisd St Clair W Ron Reed and Billy Red Cloud.
24 May. BEATRICE. Bolus D St. Clair. Orton W Reed. Lewis W Hunter. Pulaski D Bobby Shane. St. Clair won royal.
26 May. MILWAUKEE. Lisowski and Dick Afflis W Henning and Race. Chris Markoff W Reg Parks. Beaver and Bradley W Low Low and Cassidy. Jack Lanza W Mitsu Arakawa. Low Low W Beaver.
27 May. OMAHA. St. Clair D Pulaski. Jean Antonone and Mars Monroe W Nicoli and Verne Bottoms. Doug Gilbert D Lewis. Orton W Shane for title. Remember this battle.
28 May. ELKHART, IND. Afflis D Arakawa. Markoff and Poffo W Lanza and Snyder. Calvin Pullins W Phil Christy. Joe Tomasso W Freddie Rogers.
31 May. DENVER. Al Torres W Bob Duncan. Beaver and Bradley W Low Low and Cassidy. Lou Thesz W Larry Henning. Ladd and Gagne W Powers and Valentine disq.
31 May. LINCOLN. Jack Donovan W Gullitine Gordon. Reg Parks W Paul Vachon. Orton D Gilbert. Lewis W Paulaski.
5 June. DAVENPORT. Boyer D Markoff. Lanza W Stan Kowalski. Henning and Race W Goulet and Earl Maynard. Powers W Lisowski.
10 June. INDINAPOLIS TV. Guy Heenan W Mark Starr. Tomasso W Steve Stanlee. Arakawa W Cholak. Afflis and Ringo (Bob Sabre) W Poffo and Bobby Heenan.

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The following is a quote from one of our members. "Just look at what we've had here in Indinapolis. In a building that is not air conditioned, and holds 3,000 fans, we are lucky if we have 500 paid admissions. We have only one or two cards a month, plus wrestling on TV once a week, and the same matches are re-run 3 or 4 times. And while other cities around get new men like Powers, Valentine, Ladd Maynard, Henning, Race and the others, we get new men like Jim Eskew, Jack Murphy, Igor Vulkoff, Mark Starr who wrestles as the Shiek, Bob Atlas, Santiago Acosta, and Ringo the Wrestling Beattle. Men like Afflis, Snyder, Poffo and Lisowski have wrestled here almost steady since 1956; Arakawa since 1959, Mitchell since 1961, and the Mongul since 1962. We've had a few new men such as Tomasso, Markoff, Reg Parks, Jack Lanza, and that is all. Oh yes, we can't forget Steve Stanlee as a new arrival. I would go to see a main event of Don Knotts and Frank Hickey going against Saul Weingeroff and Bobby Heenan, but not everyone is as crazy as I am."

I will say little about this area. Especially the Indinapolis areas. The other areas, such as Omaha, Denver and the northern half around Minneapolis and so frth do better as far as new faces are concerned, but hardly better. As indicated elsewhere for the Heart of America area, I would recommend a complete house-cleaning of the area in question, getting rid of everyone who has been there longer than two months, and getting in antierly new faces throughout. There are far too many good men in the immediate vicinty for any city the size of Indianapolis to draw only 500 people a month. The stench of it is sickening.

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Come to think of it, tho, a main event of Knotts and Hickey might be a bit more interesting than some they have been having. The novelty of it all would probably draw a larger crowd than at present. I don't know the last time that Henning and Race showed up in Indy, much less Gagne, Goulet, Ladd, Maynard and the other top stars of the area. Again I say, shake well, and get rid of the debris.

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TAG TEAM RATINGS

In the last issue of MATMANIA, we began rating the tag teams of the United States and the world on basis of their won/lost records. We included only those teams who work together regularly, and only those with five or more decisions. Thus far, we have included the results thru January and February; we covered all results from every place in the world, but only those teams working together as the normal course of action. As usual, these ratings are not official, but only our ideas as to who is the best, on basis of their results.

Below, then, are our ideas of the 15 best tag teams in the world. Behind each is their won/ lost record.

1. Al Costello and Karl Von Brauner, 20 wins, 2 losses, 2 draws
2. Bert Royal and Vic Faulkner, 9 wins, no losses, no draws
3. Larry Henning and Harley Race, 9, 1, 0 draws and 2 no contests
4. Enrico and Ramon Torres, 8, 2 and)0
5. George and Sandy Scott, 13, 4, and 1.
6. Chris and John Tolos, 7, 2 and 0
7. McKenzie and Royal, 7, 2, and 1 loss, no draw
8. Peter and Jon Cortez, 6, 1 loss and 0 draws
9. Becker and Weaver, 9, 3 and 0
10. Rip Hawk and Swede Hanson, 12, 3 and 1 draw
11. Bogni and Lubich, 10, 4 and 0 draws
12. Blue Infernos, 5, 0 and 0 draws
13. Red Raiders, 5, 0, 0 and 3 no contests
14. McDaniels and Lotharic, 5, 1 and 0 draws
15. Assassins, 6, 4 losses, 3 draws and 1 no contest.

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There were well over 45 teams with the requirements for rating: five or more results as a team. Costello and Von Brauner had the most, 23 results, followed by the Assassins with 19. I don't know how I did it, but I goofed on their record. They had ten wins, 4 losses, 4 draws and one no contest. I imagine they will be going up in our ratings next issue on basis of that record.

Since last issue, Costello and Von Brauner lost two matches, both to the team of Al Torres and Mario Milano; one by disqualification and one by a pin fall. Since the combo with the wins do not work together regularly, I have not kept their record; I therefore, have kept the Internationals on top.

Of the teams listed above, eight of them come from the South. Two are from the Ozarks and two from England. During the time covered above, various teams were just getting started, or were soon to make their debuts. Notbably, thus far, are the Red Raiders and the Blue Infernos. Undoubtedly, both will move up in the ratings as time progress, but they will have to do some fancy work to beat out those already above them.

As noted, only one team had no losses; the team of Royal and Faulkner in England. Both middleweights, it will be difficult to rate them any higher or lower than at present. They are beyond any shadow of a doubt, the best team there, but not good enuff or large enuff to move into first place. It is actually a shame, as they are probably the best in the world.

Two other teams had no losses; sorry about that. Both the Blue Infernos and the Red Raiders had no losses during the period covered. The raiders, tho, had three no contests, those against the teams of Kozak and George twice and against the team of Ed Sullivan and Geohagen. As mentioned, both will probably move up some in the ratings next issue, but not too far.

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The following is an article that originally appeared in Ring magazine in November 1947.

A good looking youngster who shows a lot of promise is Buddy Rogers. Buddy, whose real name is Dutch Rhode, started his mat career while in Camden, New Jersey high school. Rogers is only 24 years old and has six years of experience behind him at this time. One of his matches in St. Louis drew 22,000 persons and Buddy holds that to be a record for the Missouri metropolis.

During the summer of 1948 Buddy plans to make a trip to Australia and New Zealand which he believes to be the promised land for matmen.

Rogers is six feet tall and scales 222 pounds. He is very fast and makes good use of his long reach in arm and neck holds. Watch the name of Buddy Rogers; he should go a long way in wrestling.

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A long way indeed.

This article is from the same magazine, Ring, in the July 1948 issue.

New York's best wrestling attraction at the present time is Herman "Dutch" Rhode. Dutch has a style of showmanship that acts as a magnet at the box-office. We have seldom seen a wrestler who has so fully understood what fans want to see in a match as does Rhode. Every move he makes is designed to cause some reaction with the audience. When Herman started to compete in this area, he was noted for his clean style and spectacular tactics. During the past few months, "Dutch" has changed to the role of a villian, and what a villian.

During recent bouts with Antonio Sinatra, Rhode had the fans on their feet during the entire forty minutes. They yelled, they screamed and even left their seats to get down close to the ring where Rhode could better hear their insults.

Herman has come up from a preliminary wrestler to a main eventor in a few short months.

Some grapplers never attain that distiction.

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For well over 15 years, Buddy Rogers was generally recognized as one of the ten best wrestlers in the world. He also made every listing of the ten rougest and dirtiest, and made that same list for the most popular. He was, and is again, one of the biggest drawing cards in the history of wrestling. The strutting, egotistical looking blonde had everything it takes to be the worlds greatest, and reached the highest plateaus in wrestling. As noted from his record that follows, he met them all, and won the vast majority of his bouts. He richly deserves a place among the greatest wrestlers of all time.

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Currently wrestling in eastern Canada as well as up-state New York, Buddy has again made the ratings that he so richly deserves. Winning the vast majority of his matches since coming out of retirement, he still has all of the fire, the power, and the ability as in his younger days. Still weighing only 225, the Camden veteran is one of the greatest of this day and age.

Buddy is planning a visit to the mid-west where so many of his top matches have taken place. If possible, we will include dates and places for his matches so that plans can be made to see him wrestle. I feel desperately sorry for everyone who has not seen Buddy wrestle. He is simply the greatest showman and wrestler I have ever seen. Only Thesz could top him for strict ability, and only Ray Eckert for roughness. Put them together, ability and ruffness, and Rogers is the greatest of them all.

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LIFE RECORD OF BUDDY ROGERS

11 Jan 50	Chicago	Super Swedish Angel	NC
18 Jan	Chicago	Death Valley Demon	won
25 Jan	Chicago	Su er Sweish Angel	won
22 Feb	Washington	Super Swedish Angel	won
9 Mar	Toldo	Tom Marshall	won
16 Mar	Toledo	Don Lee	won
23 Mar	Toledo	Don Lee	won
24 Mar	Chicago	Gene Stanlee	drew
8 Apr	Trenton	Tony Martinelli	won
11 Apr	Newark	Tony Galento	won
29 Apr	Trenton	Billy Darnell	won
24 May	Chicago	Apollo Superman	won
31 May	Chicago	Billy Darnell	won
1 June	Toledo	Apollo Superman	won
7 June	Chicago	Apollo Superman	won
21 June	Chicago	Lou Thesz	lost
22 June	Toledo	Billy Darnell	won
6 July	Toledo	Chief Lone Eagle	lost
11 July	Chicago	Joe Millich	won
20 July	Toledo	Chief Lone Eagle	drew
21 July	St. Louis	Freddie Blassie	won
22 July	Chicago	Bozo Brown	won
24 July	Memphis	Lou Thesz	drew
25 July	Louisville	Cherry Vallina	won
26 July	Toledo	Jumping Rococo	won
3 Aug	Toledo	Dave Levin	lost
4 Aug	Houston	Lou Thesz	lost
7 Aug	Ft. Worth	Sonny Myers	won
8 Aug	Dallas	Rito Romero	lost
9 Aug	San Antonio	Angelo Martinelli	won
11 Aug	Houston	Bobby Bruns	won
15 Aug	Dallas	Rito Romero	won
16 Aug	San Antonio	Miguel Guzman	won
18 Aug	Houston	Miguel Guzman	lost
21 Aug	Ft. Worth	Bobby Bruns	lost
22 Aug	Dallas	Killer Kowalski	lost
23 Aug	San Antonio	with Myers vs Guzman and Romero	lost
25 Aug	Houston	Verne Gagne	drew
31 Aug	Toledo	Mighty Titan	won
7 Sept	Toledo	Mighty Titan	won
11 Sept	Memphis	Al Lovelock	won
20 Sept	Chicago	Jumping Rococo	won
25 Sept	Memphis	Ray Eckert	won
29 Sept	Chicago	Jumping Rococo	won
30 Sept	Chicago	Volga Boatman	won
3 Oct	Louisville	Jimping Rococo	won
9 Oct	Memphis	Lou Thesz	drew
13 Oct	St. Louis	Billy Darnell	won
19 Oct	Chicago	Rudy Kay	won
3 Nov	St. Louis	Lou Thesz	lost
4 Nov	Chicago	Hans Schnabel	won
11 Nov	Detroit, sorrry Chicago	Mighty Atlas	won
13 Nov	Detroit, now	Jim Dobie	won
16 Nov	Windsor	Lou Klein	Won
18 Nov	St. Louis	Chief Lone Eagle	won
20 Nov	Detroit	Bert Rubi	won
4 Dec	Detroit	Billy Darnell	won
7 Dec	Toledo	Mighty Atlas	drew
8 Dec 50	Chicago	Lou Thesz	lost

28 Dec 50	Toledo	Dave Levin	won
4 Jan 51	Toledo	Karol Krauser and Lord Ponkerton	won
5 Jan	Chicago	Cyclone Anaya	won
12 Jan	St. Louis	Lord Pinkerton	won
20 Jan	Bayonne	Tony Sinatra	won
22 Jan	Chicago	Lou Thesz	drew
23 Jan	Indianapolis	Pancho Romero	won
25 Jan	Toledo	Lord Ppnkerton	won
26 Jan	Chicago	Lou Thesz	drew
3 Feb	Bayonne	Tony Milano	won
5 Feb	Detroit	Darl Engstrom	won
9 Feb	St. Louis	Bill Longson	lost
		Lord Pinkerton	won
16 Feb	Governors Island, N.Y.	Ben Morgan	won
17 Feb	Bayonne	Lord Pinkerton	NC
21 Feb	Ft. Wayne	Karol Krauser	won
22 Feb	Toledo	Billy Darnell	won
23 Feb	St. Louis	Bill Longson	won
24 Feb	Chicago	Karol Kraser	won
27 Feb	Philadelphia	Jack Steele	won
1 Mar	Toledo	Jungle Boy	lost
3 Mar	Bayonne	Mike Lordi	won
7 Mar	Toledo	Jungel Boy	won
14 Mar	Toledo	Jungle Boy	won
17 Mar	St. Louis	Lou Thesz	lost
21 Mar	Evansville	Lou sorry Mighty Titan	won
22 Mar	Toledo	Chief Lone Eagle	lost
26 Mar	Camden	George Bollas	won
30 Mar	St. Louis	Lucky Simonovich	won
3 Apr	Kansas City	Walter Palmer	won
7 Apr	Bayonne	Lordi and Bollas	won
13 Apr	St. Louis	Lou Thesz	lost
3 May	Boston	Les Ryan	won
7 May	Camden	with Darnell vs Killer Kowalski and Len Montanan	won
17 May	Boston	Mario De Souza	won
19 May	Montreal	Bobby Managoff	won
30 May	Montreal	Bobby Managoff	NC
31 May	Boston	Ivan Kalmikoff	won
2 June	Brockton	Frank James	won
5 June	Montreal	with Fred Atkins vs Larry Moquin and Yvon Robert	drew
6 June	Montreal	Great Togo	won
13 June	Chicago	Sandor Kovacs	won
14 June	Toronto	Sunny Kurgis	won
20 June	Montreal	with Atkins vs Moquin and Yvon Robert	won
21 June	Ottawa	Sammy Berg	won
13 July	Montreal	Yvon Robert	lost
25 July	Montreal	Larry Moquin	drew
1 Aug	Montreal	Sammy Berg	won
3 Aug	Montreal	Larry Moquin	won
8 Aug	Montreal	Larry Moquin	won
21 Aug	Ottawa	Larry Moquin	won
28 Aug	Ottawa	Larry Moquin	won
29 Aug	Montreal	Yvon Robert	won
5 Sept	Montreal	with Lovelook vs Moquin and Robert	won
11 Sept	Ottawa	Yukon Eric	drew
19 Sept	Montreal	Jack Rush	won
25 Sept 51	Ottawa	Manuel Cortez	won

10 Oct 51	Montreal	Kack Rush	won
24 Oct	Chicago	Francis Miquet	won
31 Oct	Montreal	Billy Darnell	won
1 Nov	Columbus	Johnny Valentine	NC
7 Nov	Chicago	Ed Francis	won
9 Nov	Cincinnati	Pierre LaSalle	won
15 Nov	Kansas City	Ray Graham	won
22 Nov	Canton	Jackie Nichols	won
30 Nov	Chicago	Ruffy Silverstein	won
13 Dec	Columbus	Johnny Valentine	won
27 Dec 51	Columbus	Johnny Valentine	won
1 Jan 52	Indinapolis	Shiek of Araby	won
2 Jan	Chicago	Jackie Nichols	won
3 Jan	Columbus	Ruffy Silverstein	won
9 Jan	Chicago	Johnny Valentine	won
15 Jan	Pittsburgh	Frankie Talaber	won
18 Jan	Chicago	Ruffy Silverstein	drew
23 Jan	Chicago	Jackie Nichols	won
26 Jan	Columbus	Nanjo Singh	won
4 Feb	Camden	Killer Kowalski	won
6 Feb	Chicago	George Macricostas	won
7 Feb	Columbus	Ruffy Silverstein	lost disq
9 Feb	Canton	Ruffy Silverstein	lost disq
11 Feb	Columbus	Ruffy Silverstein	drew
14 Feb	Columbus	Johnny Valentine	won
15 Feb	Chicago	Billy Darnell	won
26 Feb	Ottawa	Billy Watson	NC
27 Feb	Montreal	with Manueal Cortez vs Ernie and Emil Dusek	won
28 Feb	Boston	Manuel Cortez	NC
6 March	Columbus	Bill Miller	NC
9 Mar	Chicago	Johnny Valentine	won
11 Mar	Canton	Johnny Valentine	won
13 Mar	Cleveland	Ruffy Silverstein	won
14 Mar	Tony Rocca	drew the city, way back there, is Chicago	
15 Mar	Columbus	Frankie Talaber	won
18 Mar	Canton	Johnny Valentine	won
25 Mar	Pittsburgh	Ruffy Silverstein	drew
29 Mar	Youngstown	Bobby Ford	won
3 Apr	Columbus	Joe Christie	won
7 Apr	Camden	Johnny Balbo	won
9 Apr	Chicago	Johnny Valentine	won
10 Apr	Columbus	Joe Christie	won
18 Apr	Steubenville	Bill Miller	won
19 Apr	Pittsburgh	Fran Miquet	won
21 Apr	Huntington, West Va	Moquin and Talaber	lost
22Apr	Indianapolis	Len Montana	drew
23 Apr	,ontreal	Billy Darnell	won
29 Apr	Huntington	with Roy Shires vs Moquin and Talaber	won
30 Apr	Montreal	Frank Valois	won
2 May	Cinciannati	Don Eagle	lost
8 May	Columbus	Tony Rocca	drew
9 May	Cincinnati	Larry Moquin	won
14 May	Wilkesburg, pa	Talaber	won
15 May	Columbus	Don Eagle	won
16 May	Cincinnati	Karl Von Schober	won
17 May	Youngstown	Don Eagle	drew
19 May	Camden	Don Eagle	won
23 May 52	Cincinnati	Billy Darnell	won

23 May 52	Cincinnati	Billy Darnell	won
28 May	Cadiz, Ohio	Marvin Mercer	won
30 May	Chicago	Tony Galento	won
3 June	Hagerstwon	Billy Darnell	won
4 June	Montreal	Killer Kowalski	lost disq
7 June	Chicago	Bill Miller	drew
11 June	Montreal	Mister Moto	lost
19 June	Cincinnati	Lord Blears	won
30 June	Memphis	Freddie Blassie	won
9 July	Chicago	Nick Roberts	won
14 July	Chicago	Ruffy Sivlerstein	NC
22 July	Ottawa	Bobby Managoff	won
23 July	Montreal	Rufffy Silverstein	lost
29 July	Holyoke	Larry Moquin	won
30 July	Montreal	Ruffy Silverstein	lost disq
3 Aug	Montreal	Ruffy Silverstein	lost disq
5 Aug	Dayton	Don Arnold	drew
6 Aug	Chicago	Marvin Mercer	won
14 Aug	Columbus	Frankie Talaber	won
15 Aug	Pittsburgh	Fran Mieuet	won
20 Aug	Montreal	Tarzan Zorra	won
28 Aug	Columbus	Ruffy Silverstein	won
29 Aug	Cincinnati	Donn Lewin	won
2 Sept	Ottawa	Killer Kowalski	NC
3 Sept	Montreal	Larry Moquin	won
9 Sept	Ottawa	Ruffy Silverstein	won
10 Sept	Holyoke	Bull Curry	won
16 Sept	Ottawa	with Yvon Robert vs Kowalski and Joe Christie	lost disq
17 Sept	Montreal	Killer Kowalski	drew
22 Sept	Camden	Johnny Valentine	won
24 Sept	Holyoke	Don Leo Jonothan	NC
30 Sept	Boston	Billy Darnell	NC
3 Oct	Hartford	Johnny Valentine	won
7 Oct	Boston	Billy Darnell	won
9 Oct	Columbus	Luther Lindsey	won
14 Oct	Dayton	Don Arnold	won
16 Oct	Steubenville	Bill Miller	won
17 Oct	Chicago	Ruffy Silverstein	won
20 Oct	Huntington	Bob Geigel	won
21 Oct	Dayton	Bob Geigel	won
22 Oct	Chicago	Frankie Talaber	drew
23 Oct	Hartford	Johnny Valentine	drew
27 Oct	Huntington	Donn Lewin	drew
3 Nov	Charleston	Tommy O'Toole	won
6 Nov	Columbus	Bob Geigel	won
7 Nov	Cincinnati	Tommy O'Toole	won
24 Nov	Camden	Ruffy Silverstein	won
1 Dec	Camden	Tarzan Zorra	won
2 Dec	Boston	Killer Kowalski	won disq
16 Dec 52	Cleveland	Luther Lindsey	won
13 Jan 53	Boston	Johnny Valentine	won
14 Jan	Chicago	Donn Lewin	won
16 Jan	Cleveland	Don Arnold	drew
2 Feb	Camden	Sky HiLee	won
4 Feb	Boston	Yvon Robert	lost
12 Feb	Columbus	Roy Shire	won
13 Feb	Cincinnati	Great Scott	won
28 Feb	Steubenville	Ruffy Silverstein	drew
3 Mar	Pittsburgh	Bill Miller	won
13 Mar 53	Cincinnati	Ruffy Silverstein	won

24 Mar 53	Madison Square Garden	Johnny Valentine	won
31 Mar	Dayton	Roy Shires	won
2 Apr	Columbus	Great Scott	won
7 Apr	Dayton	Primo Carnera	won
8 Apr	Hagerstwn	Roy Shires	won
18 Apr	Philadelphia	Ruffy Silverstein	won
21 Apr	Dayton	Bill Miller	NC
27 Apr	Camden	Tony Rocca	drew
30 Apr	Columbus	Francis and A. Martinelli	lost
6 May	Fayetville	Great Scott	NC
7 May	Columbus	Angelo Martinelli	won
16 May	Cincinnati	Frankie Talaber	won
23 May	Cincinnati	Angelo Martinelli	won
10 June	Chicago	Donn Lewin	won
11 June	Columbus	Bill Miller	won
12 June	Cincinnati	Don Arnold	won
16 June	Dayton	Bob Geigel	won
26 June	Troy, Ohio	Great Scott	won
27 June	Columbus	Angelo Martinelli	won
9 July	New Orleans	Bad Boy Cronin	won
14 July	Nashville	Ed White	won
16 July	Chattanooga	Herb Welch	won
21 July	San Francisco	Mister Moto	lost disq
23 July	Columbus	Frankie Talaber	won
24 July	Newark	Jackie Nichols	won
28 July	Dayton	Great Scott	won
6 Aug	New Orleans	Ed White	won
7 Aug	Atlanta	Don McIntyre	lost disq
10 Aug	Charlotte	Matt Murphy	won
13 Aug	New Orleans	Al Massey	won
14 Aug	Atlanta	Johnny Valentine	won
15 Aug	St. Louis	Frankie Talaber	won
18 Aug	Nashville	Jack Moore	won
25Aug	Nashville	Ed White	won
27 Aug	New Orleans	Don McIntyre	won
28 Aug	Knoxville	Ray Piret	won
2 Sept	Chattanooga	Herb Welch	won
4 Sept	Knoxville	Ray Piret	won
5 Sept	St. Louis	Marco Polo	won
10 Sept	New Orleans	Don McIntyre	won
12 Sept	Dayton	Great Scott	NC
14 Sept	Charleston	Great Scott	won
16 Sept	Dayton	Bill Miller	won
22 Sept	Dayton	Dark Secret	won
24 Sept	Columbus	Dark Secret	won
28 Sept	Charleston	Great Scott	won

I'm not sure, but I beleive the Dark Secret listed above is better known as the Masked Dansky.

29 Sept	Dayton	with Talaber vs Secret and Miller	lost
6 Oct	Dayton	with Talaber vs Secret and Miller	lost
8 Oct	Columbus	with Scott vs Miller and Talaber	NC
22 Oct	Dayton	Bill Miller	lost disq
27 Oct	Dayton	with Scott vs Scret and Miller	NC
3 Nov	Indianapolis	George Bollas	drew
4 Nov	Chiacago	Frankie Talber	NC
5 Nov	Columbus	with Scott vs Durango and Secret	won
7 Nov	St. Louis	Roy McClarty	won
10 Nov	Indinapolis	Geogre Bollas	won
11 Nov	Chiacago	Frankie Talaber	won
13 Nov 53	Dayton	with Scott vs Secret and Miller	NC

12 Dec 55	Philadelphia	with Darnell vs Don and Ray Stevens	won
30 Dec 55	St Louis	Lou Thesz	lost
5 Jan 56	Columbus	Bobo Brazil	lost
9 Jan	Philadelphia	with Darnell vs Hi Lee and Von Albers	lost disq
16 Jan	Philadelphia	with Brazil and Darnell vs Cholak, Hilee and Von Albers	won
25Jan	Montreal	Karl Von Albers	won
1 Feb	Montreq	Killer Kowlski	NC
6 Feb	Montreal	w Darnell and Scott vs Ernie and Emil Dusek and Karl Von Albers	lost
13 Feb	Montreal	same as above	won
14 Feb	Montreal no Baltimore,	with Stevens vs Duseks	won
20 Feb	Philadelphia	Sky HiLee	lost
22 Feb	Montreal	Killer Kowlski	lost
23 Feb	Columbus	Ike Eakins	won
24 Feb	Washington	Karl Von Albers	NC
28 Feb	Dayton	Sky HiLee	won
1 Mar	Columbus	Bobo Brazil	lost disq
12 Mar	Philadelphia	Shag Thomas	won
13 Mar	Baltimore	Karl Von Albers	won
15 Mar	Columbus	Joe Walcott	won
17 May	Columbus	Al Kashey	won
24 May	Detroit	Lou Klein	won
11 June	Ft. Worth	Danny Plechas	won disq
13 June	San Antonio	Ed Francis	won
26June	Dallas	Ray Torres	won
27 June	San Antonio	Ray Torres	lost
3 July	Dallas	Mike DiBiase	won
8 July	Dallas	Mike DiBiase	won
9 July	Ft. Worth	Johnny Valentine	won
11 July	San Antonio	Al Kashey	won
23 July	Sallas	Gene Kelly	won
24 July	Dallasno San Antonio	Leo Gariboldi	won
30 July	Ft. Worth	Johnny Valentine	won disq
7 Aug	Dallas	Danny McShain	won
16 Aug	Washington	Dick Steinbron	won
18 Aug	Dallas	Billy Watson	lost
21 Aug	Baltimore	Tony Rocca	drew
29 28 Aug	Baltimore	Timmy Geohagen	won
29 Aug	Manassas, Va	Nick Roberts	won
30 Aug	Washington	Don Arnold	won disq
14 Sept	St. Louis	Billy Watson	lost
5 Oct	St. Louis	Billy Watson	drew
12 Oct	Louisville	Yukon Eric	won
13 Oct	Columbus	Fran Miquet	won
17 Oct	Montreal	Ray Torres	won
18 Oct	Toronto	Pat Flanigan	won
19 Oct	St. Louis	Tex McKenzie	won
22 Oct	Boston	Killer Kowalski	won
24 Oct	Montreal w Kowlaksi vs P. Baillargeon and Robert		NC
25 Oct	Tornto	Maurice LaPointe	won
31 Oct	Montreal	Billy Darnell	won
1 Nov	Lionel Baillergeon	won the city is Toronto sorry, everyone	
6 Nov	Hamilton	Ilio DiPaolo	NC
7 Nov	Montreal with Jonothan vs M. Cortez and R. Torres		???
8 Nov	Toronto	Roberto Pico	won
12 Nov	Kitchener	Yukon Eric	won
13 Nov	Hamilton	Ilio DiPaolo	won
17 Nov	Buffalo	Ilio DiPaolo	won
20 Nov	Hamilton	Lou Thesz	drew
22 Nov 56	Toronto	Shag Thomas	won

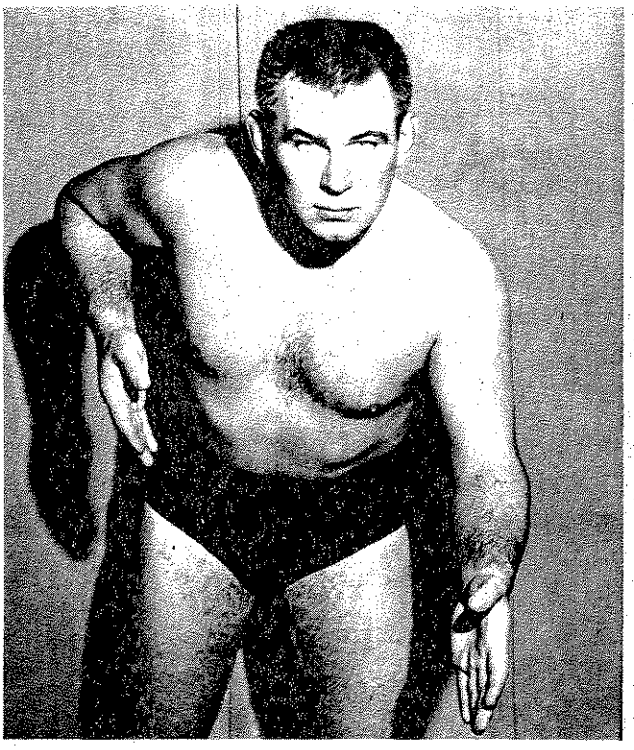
23 Nov 56	St. Louis	with Kowlaski vs Ursus and Watson	won
27 Nov	Hamilton	with Hutton vs DiPaolo and Eric	drew
29 Nov	Toronto	Bullly Watson	NC
30 Nov	Buffalo	Ilio DiPaloo	won
20 Dec	Toronto	Billy Watson	drew
27 Dec	Toronto	Billy Watson	won disq
28 Dec 56	St. Louis	with Kowalski vs Ursus and Watson	lost

If someone can count high enuff, could you let me know how many mistakes I've made thus far? Thanks and happy counting.

3 Jan 57	Toronto	Billy Watson	lost disq
4 Jan	Buffalo	Ilio DiPaolo	lost
7 Jan	Niagra Falls	Ilio DiPaolo	won
8 Jan	Hamilton w Kiniski vs DiPoalo and Watson		lost
10 Jan	Toronto with Kiniski vs O'Connor and Watson		lost disq
11 Jan	St. Louis	Carpentier and O'Connor	lost
12 Jan	Clearwater, Flo	Wilbur Snyder	won
14 Jan	Niagra Falls	Billy Watson	NC
15 Jan	Hamilton w Kiniski vs DiPaolo and Watson		lost disq
16 Jan	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	drew
17 Jan	Ottawa	Killer Kowalski	NC
19 Jan	Clearwater	Wilbur Snyder	won
21 Jan	Tampa	Lou Thesz	lost
22 Jan	St. Louis	Ed Carpentier	lost idsq
23 Jan	St. Petersburg	John Smith	won
24 Jan	Lake Worth	Ray Villmer	won
25 Jan	St. Louis	Ed Carpentier	lost
26 Jan	Canton	Joe Walcott	won
28 Jan	Tampa	John Smith	won
29 Jan	Lake Worth	Ray Villmer	drew
30 Jan	St. Petersburg	Dick Afflis	won
2 Feb	Key West	Al Amith	won
4 Feb	Tampa	Lou Thesz	lost
6 Feb	St. Pierre, Flo	Red Demon	won
13 Feb	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	lost
15 Feb	Ottawa	Gene Kiniski	lost disq
22 Feb	Johnson City with Al Galento vs Farmer Jones and Dan Miller		won
25 Feb	Memphis	Bob McCune	drew
26 Feb	Louisville	Billy Darnell	won
1 Mar	St. Louis with F. Von Erich vs Carpentier and O'Connor		won
4 Mar	Ft. Worth	Larry Chene	won
5 Mar	Dallas	Luis Martinez	won
7 Mar	San Antonio	Ray Firet	won
8 Mar	Houston	Ed Medico	NC
11 Mar	Ft. Worth	Art Neilson	won
12 Mar	Dallas	Luis Martinez	lost
14 Mar	San Antonio	Luis Martinez	drew
15 Mar	Houston	Pepper Gomez	lost
26 Mar	Louisville	Stu Gibson	won
28 Mar	Indianapolis	Geogre Bollas	won
29 Mar	St. Louis	Billy Darnell	won
1 Apr	Wichita	Kit Fox	won
2 Apr	Louisville	Stu Gibson	won
4 Apr	Indiapolis with McCune vs Chalok and Bollas		won
5 Apr	St. Louis	George Bollas	won
12 Apr	St. Louis	Fritz Von Erich	won
26 Apr	St. Louis with Managoff vs Bollas and F. Von Erich		won
11 July	Columbus	Bearcat Wright	won
22 Aug 57	Columbus	Stu Gibson	won

BUDDY ROGERS

SPOTLIGHT ON A STAR
DAN MILLER



DAN MILLER

The 260 pound Danny, the younger brother of Big Bill Miller, made his pro début in 1957 as a tag partner of his famous kin. Hailing f from Columbus, Ohio, he toured the Northwest with Bill the first year of his career. A villian of the first order, he and Bill created havoc throughout the area.

In 1958, the brothers, along with Ed, the second of the three brothers to wrestle professionally, toured the eastern halrf of Canada winning the Canadian Open tag team and the world tag team matches. He met such men as Frank Townsend, Lord Layton, Bobo Brazil, Roy McClarty, Ray Stevens, Billy Watson and Yukon Eric during the year, suffering only two singles losses, one of those via disqualification.

In 1959, he continued his tour of Canada along with visits to the East Coast. Again he won the vast majority of his matches, meeting such men as the Vachons, the Scott Brothers, Roy Shires, Don Eagle, Pat O'Connor, and oth losing only four singles matches, two on dis

During 1960 and 1961, he toured the mid-west, winning most of his matches against such talents as the Kalmikoff brothers,, Bobby Orton, Don Lee, the Duseks, Bobby Managoff, Larry Hamilton, Karl Kox and Don Leo Jonathan. Both a hero and a villian during this period, Danny Boy had made himself one of the top attractions in the field of wrestling with his whirl-wind attack.

In 1962, he continued his on-slaught on the mid-west, meeting the best of the area, including Kox, the Scotts, Dale Lewis, Tony Borne and others. He lost but two bouts during the year, those to Lewis and Borne.

In 1963, he toured the Northwest and western Canada, twice winning the Northwest title and once the Pacific Coast tag title, with partners Cowboy Carlson and Ronnie Etchison. The biggest hero of the area, his opponents included such famous names as Gene Kiniski, Kinji Shibuya, Maitsu Arakawa, Townsend, Dave Ruhl, Jack Terry, Regi Siki, and Lou Thesz. He lost but three singles matches during the year, those to Thesz, Kiniski and Shibuya.

In late '63 and early '64, he again toured the mid-west, then hit the area which has become his second home: Western Texas. He made animmediate hit in hte Lone Star State, beating such men as Karl Kox, Nelson Royal, Larry Hemming, the Shiek, Jonathan, Louie Tillet and the Viking. One of the brightest young stars in the world of wrestling today, Danny, the personable 31 year old speedster, is truly a star of the first magnitude. Our spotlight on a star: Danny Miller. One of the great ones of the day.

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30 Aug 57	Columbus	George Bollas	won
5 Sept	Toledo	Billy Darnell	won
12 Sept	Toledo	Bearcat Wright	NC
13 Sept	Cincinnati	Billy Darnell	won
17 Oct	Toledo	Tarzan Zorra	won
2 Nov	St. Paul	Mitsu Arakawa	won
5 Nov	Minneapolis with Al Kashey vs Haggerty and Chibuya		won disq
7 Nov	Toledo	Fritz Von Goering	won
9 Nov	Minneapolis	Lou Thesz	drew
16 Nov	St. Paul	Masked Mauler	won
12 Dec 57	Tampa	Tug Carlson	won
21 Jan 58	Tampa	Lou Thesz	lost
4 Feb	Tampa	Lou Thesz	lost
14 Feb	Colorada Springs, Colo	Bob Elliot	won
24 Feb	Alburquerque with Rig Rogers vs DiBiase and Plechas		lost
28 Feb	Houston	Bull Curry	won disq
20 Mar	Amarillo	Great Bolo	won
2 May	Oceanside Park	Szander Szabo	drew
3 May	San Bernadino with Voj Ulm vs Szabo and Calhoun		won
13 May	San Diego	with Lenz and Von Ulm vs Szabo, Calhoun and Reg Parks	lost
16 May	Oceanside Park	with Von Ulm vs Szabo and Blears	won
17 May	San Bernadino with Von Ulm and Varga vs Szabo, Parks and Calhoun		won
28 May	Los Angeles	Szander Szabo	won
24 Sept	San Jose	Mike Valentino	won
26 Sept	Oakland	Hans Schnable	won
1 Oct	San Jose	Gene Dubuque	won
3 Oct	Oakland with Ethoinon vs Dubuque and Valentino		won
8 Oct	San Jose	Valentino and Dubuque	drew
9 Oct	Stockton with Ray Torres vs Valentino and Blears		won
22 Oct	San Jose	Gene Dubuque	won
29 Oct 58	Sn Jose	Slyde Steeves	won
2 Jan 59	Cincinnati	Buddy Austin	won
6 Jan	Dayton	Buddy Austin	won
7 Jan	Mansfield	Buddy Austin	won
9 Jan	Cincinnati with Austin vs Leon Graham and Talaber		lost
20 Jan	Dayton	Buddy Austin	won
28 Jan	Masfield with Leon G vs Don and Jackie Fargo		won
10 Feb	Dayton with Scott vs Austin and Fargo		lost disq
23 Feb	Cincinnati with Scott vs Fargo and Oscar Verdu		won
15 Feb	Marion with Scott vs Austin and Juan Sebastian		lost
28 Feb	Dayton with Scott vs Austin and El Diablo		won
4 Mar	Columbus with Scott vs Nichoks and Regi Siki		drew
23 Apr	Columbus	Buddy Austin	won
23 Sept	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	won
30 Sept	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	won
1 Oct	Ottawa with Valentine vs Carpentier and Managoff		won
3 Oct	Columbus	Donn Lewin	won
7 Oct	Montreal	Joe Walcott	won
14 Oct	Montreal with Valentine vs Carpentier and Siki		lost
15 Oct	Ottawa	Ed Carpentier	won
21 Oct	Montreal	Regi Siki	won
22 Oct	Ottawa	Manuel Cortez	won
24 Oct	Columbus	Johnny Barend	drew
28 Oct	Montreal	Killer Kowalski	won disq
14 Nov	Columbus with Karl Karlson vs Austin and Barend		won
28 Nov	Columbus with Karlson vs Austin and Barend		won
2 Dec	Montreal	Killer Kowalsk9	lost
12 Dec 59	Columbus	Lou Thesz	drew

19 Dec 59	Columbus	Karl Karlson	won
2 Jan 60	Columbus	Johnny Barend	won
9 Feb	Dayton with Siki vs Bob Ellis and Black Menace		won
10 Feb	Montreal	Don Leo Jonothan	won
24 Feb	Montreal	Tony Rocca	NC
26 Feb	Chicago	Regi Siki	won
27 Feb	Fresno, Calif with Steeves vs E. Torres and Etchison		lost
2 Mar	Montreal	White Owl and Yaqui Joe	won
9 Mar	Montreal	Tony Rocca	lost disq
10 Mar	Island Gardens with Eddie Graham vs Mark Lewin and D. Curtis		won
19 Mar	Columbus TV	Red Benson	won
23 Mar	Montreal	White Owl	won
26 Mar	Columbus TV	Oscar Verdu	won
26 Mar	Columbus	Art Neilson	won
30 Mar	Montreal	Tony Rocca	won disq
2 Apr	Cincinnati	Buddy Austin	won
5 Apr	Dayton	Art Neilson	won disq
9 Apr	Cincinnati	Art Neilson	won
13 Apr	Montreal	Johnny Rougeau	won disq
14 Apr	Washington	Buddy Rosen	won
16 Apr	Columbus	Gene Dubuque	lost disq
20 Apr	Bridgeport TV	Arnold Skaalnd	won
21 Apr	Washington	Marvin Mercer	won
23 Apr	Columbus	Gene Dubuque	won
28 Apr	Washington	Johnny Walker	won
29 Apr	Chicago	Billy Darnell	won
21 Amy	Madison Square	Tony Rocca	NC
27 May	Chicago	Chief Big Heart	won
1 June	Montreal	Killer Kowalski	lost
4 June	Madison Square	Regi Siki	won
8 June	Montreal	Killer Kowalski	lost
17 June	West Hempstead	Regi Siki	won
24 June	Chicago	Regi Siki	won
15 July	West Hempstead	Haystacks Calhoun	won
18 July	Washington	Bearcat Wright	lost disq
21 July	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	lost
27 July	Chicago	Bewrcat Wright	won
10 Aug	Montreal	Mike Valentino	won
12 Aug	West Hempstead w E. Graham vs Bastein and Klein		won disq
17 Aug	Bridgeport TV	Marvin Mercer	won
19 Aug	Chicago w E. Graham vs B. Wright and Siki		drew
24 Aug	Montreal	Johnny Walker	won
1 Sept	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	lost disq
2 Sept	West Hempstead w E. Graham vs B. Wright and Siki		drew
7 Sept	Milwaukee	Johnny Gilbert	won
15 Sept	Milwaukee	Regi Siki	won
16 Sept	Chicago	Haystacks Calhoun	won
21 Sept	Montreal	Buddy Rosen	won
23 Sept	West Hempstead w E. Graham vs M. Lewin and Don Curtis		won
5 Oct	Bridgeport TV	Arnold Skaaland	won
7 Oct	Chicago	Red Bastein	won
14 Oct	West Hempstead w E. Graham vs Lewin and Curtis		drew
15Oct	St. Louis TV	Doug Lindsey	won
15 Oct	Teaneck	Killer Kowalski	won
26 Oct	St. Louis	John Paul Henning	won
5 Nov	St. Louis TV	George Drake	won
11 Nov	Chicago	Lou Klein	won
18 Nov	St. Louis	Frank Townsend	won
19 Nov	St. Louis TV	Rock Hunter	won
2 Dec 60	St. Louis	Rip Hawk	won

3 Dec 60	Paterson	Johnny Valentine	won
9 Dec	Chicago	Johnny Valentine	drew
10 Dec	Teaneck	Regi Siki	won
12 Dec	Madison Square	Haystacks Calhoun	won
15 Dec	Washington	Abe Jacobs	won
16 Dec	Philadelphia	Regi Siki	won
23 Dec	Masison Square	Haystacks Calhoun	won
24 Dec	Charlotte	Sandy Scott	won
26 Dec	Newark	Tony Rocca	NC
30 Dec	Chicago	Johnny Valentine	won
31 Dec	St. Louis TV with Valentine vs Ellis and Thor Hagen		won
31 Dec 60	Charlotte	Bob Nandor	won
13 Jan 61	Philadelphia	Hystacks Calhoun	won
15 Jan	Charlotte	Ike Eakins	won
19 Jan	Toronto	Mike Valentino	won
20 Jan	St. Louis with Valentine vs J.P Henning and Ellis		won
22 Jan	Charlotte	Bob Nandor	won
26 Jan	Toronto TV	John Da Silva	won
29 Jan	Charlotte	Louie Bone	won
3 Feb	Chicago	Dick Steinborn	won
4 Feb (4)	Paterson	Johnny Valentine	won
16 Feb	Milwaukee	Count Corroni	won
18 Feb	Newark	Johnny Valentine	drew
24 Feb	Chicago	Johnny Valentine	won
25 Feb	St. Louis TV	Johnny Rebel	won
28 Feb	Madison Square	Haystacks Calhoun	won
3 Mar	St. Louis	Rip Hawk	won
4 Mar	St. Louis TV	Joh Paul Henning	NC
14 Mar	Baltimore	Johnny Valentine	won disq
16 Mar	Washington	Johnny Valentine	drew
17 Mar	Chicago	Art Thomas	won disq
18 Mar	Newark	Art Thomas	won
24 Mar	Philadelphia	Art Thomas	???
25 Mar	Madison Square	Primo Carnera	won
27 Mar	New York City	Vittorio Apollo	drew
30 Mar	Winston Salem	Regi Siki	won
1 Apr	Raleigh	Bob Nandor	won
1 Apr	Long Island City	Johnny Valentine	won
5 Apr	Twaneck	Vittorio Apollo	lost disq
6 Apr	Milwaukee	Tommy O'Toole	won
7 Apr	St. Louis	John Paul Henning	NC
8 Apr	St. Louis TV	Tommy O'Toole	won
11 Apr	Sunnyside	Johnny Valeninte	drew
13 Apr	Washington TV w Orton vs Jacobs and Pete Sanchez		won
14 Apr	Chicago	Haystacks Calhoun	won
15 Apr	Stp Louis TV	Pepe Perez	won
27 Apr	Milwaukee	Gino Angelo	won
28 Apr	Chicago	Art Thomas	won
29 Apr	Bridgeport TV with Orton vs Jacobs and Sandor Kovacs		won
29 Apr	Toronto TV	Pat Flanagan	won
4 May	Washington TV with Orton vs J. London and Sam Rivera		won
6 May	Philadelphia	with Orton and Scott vs Lewin, Curtis and Siki	lost
8 May	Washington with Orton vs Darnell and Steinborn		won
11 May	Milwaukee	Billy Goelz	won
12 May	Chicago	Primo Carnera	won
13 May	Newark	Art Thomas	won
15 May	New York City	Regi Siki	won
18 May	Washington TV with Orton vs Sanchez and Rivera		won
21 May 61	Charlotte	Billy Darnell	won

23 May 61	Sunnyside	Billy Darnell	won
25 May	Washington TV with Orton vs Darnell and Bill Zbyszko		won
26 May	Madison Square with Orton vs Apollo and Valentine		drew
3 June	St. Louis TV	Jim La Rock	won
7 June	Bridgeport	Johnny Valentine	won
8 June	Bridgeport TV	Tony Cosenza	won
9 June	Pittsburgh	Haystacks Calhoun	won
10 June	Bridgeport TV	Regi Siki	won
12 June	The Garden	with Orton vs Apollo and Rocca	won
13 June	Long Island City with Orton vs Darnell and Zbyszko		won
15 June	Washington TV with Orton vs Jean Baillargeon and Darnell		won
16 June	St. Louis	John Paul Henning	won
17 June	Charlotte	Abe Jacobs	won
19 June	Commack	Johnny Valentine	won
20 June	Long Island City	Dick Steinbron	drew
23 June	The Garden with Orton vs Rocca and Apollo		lost
24 June	Philadelphia	Tony Rocca	lost
30 June	Chicago	Pat O'Connor for title	won
3 July	Atlantic City	Sam Rivera	won
4 July	Davenport	Reggie Lisowski	won
5 July	Norfolk	Abe Jacobs	won
7 July	Pittsburgh	Tony Rocca	won
10 July	Washington with Orton and Bobby Davis vs Art Thomas, Siki and Valentine		lost
12 July	Nedville, N.J. with Orton vs Art Thomas and Siki		NC
14 July	Detroit	Red Bastien	won
15 July	Atlantic City	Regi Siki	won
15 July	St. Louis TV	Guy LaRose	won
19 July	Commack	Johnny Valentine	drew
20 July	Washington TV	Eugenio Marin	won
24 July	Ft. Worth	Rito Romero	won
28 July	The Garden	Johnny Valetnine	won
29 July	Chicago	Art Thomas	won
1 Aug	Long Island City	Doug Kinslow	won
4 Aug	Pittsburgh	Reggie Lisowski	won disq
5Aug	Bridgeport TV	Bill Zbyszko	won
7 Aug	Washington with Orton vs Rocca and Valentine		lost
8 Aug	Long Island City	Dick Steinbron	won
11 Aug	St. Louis	Ronnie Etchison	won
12 Aug	Newark with Orton vs Thomas and Siki		won
18 Aug	Cincinnati	The Shiek	won
19 Aug	Milwaukee	Bob Ellis	won
19 Aug ???	Newark with Orton vs Thomas and Siki		lost
21 Aug	Freeport	Johnny Valentine	won
22 Aug	Long Island Coty	Lou Klen	won
25Aug	The Garden with Orton vs Rocca and Valentine		won
1 Sept	Chicago	Pat O'Vonnor	won
5 Sept	Long Island City	Bruno Sammartino	won
7 Sept	Toronto	Frank Townsend	won
9 Sept	Bridgeport TV	Tomas Marin	won
14 Sept	Washington	Bruno Sammartino	won
16 Sept	Cincinnati	Johnny Barend	NC
18 Sept	The Garden with Orton vs Costello and Heffernan		lost
21 Sept	Washington	Haystacks-Calhoun	won
23 Sept	St. Louis TV	Lorenzo Parente	won
30 Sept	Cincinnati	Johnny Barend	won
6 Oct	St. Louis	Bob Ellis	won
7 Oct	St. Louis TV	Bob Boyer	won
7 Oct	Columbus	Johnny Barend	won
10 Oct 61	The Garden with Orton vs Rocca and Perez		lost

12 Oct 61	Indianapolis	Killer Kowalski	won
16 Oct	New York City with Orton vs Rocca and Perez		lost dq
17 Oct	Pittsburgh	Johnny Valentine	won disq
20 Oct	Chicago with Orton vs Sammartino and Valentine		lost
21 Oct	Newark	Art Thomas	won
24 Oct	Dallas	Dory Dixon	won
26 Oct	Corpus Christi	Mike DiBaise	won
31 Oct	Dallas	Duke Keomuka	won
2 Nov	Toronto TV	Frank Townsend	won
3 Nov	White Plains	Bruno Sammartino	won
4 Nov	Paterson	Johnny Valentine	won
4 Nov	St. Louis TV	Guy LaRose	won
6 Nov	Pittsburgh	Reggie Lisowski	drew
9 Nov	Washington TV	Migeul Perez	won
10 Nov	Chicago	Bruno Sammartino	won
13 Nov	The Garden	Tony Rocca	won
16 Nov	Toronto	Billy Watson	won disq
20 Nov	Memphis	Doug Gilbert	won
21 Nov	Dayton	Johnny Barend	won
24 Nov	St. Louis	Johnny Valentine	won disq
27 Nov	Washington	Bearcat Wright	drew
30 Dec 61	Bridgeport TV	Pete Sanchez	won
5 Jan 62	Washington	Art Thomas	won
6 Jan	Bridgeport TV	Arnold Skaaland	won
11 Jan	Washington TV	Carlo Milano	won
12 Jan	West Hempstead	Bruno Sammartino	won
13 Jan	Detroit	Tony Rocca	won disq
15 Jan	Washington	Art Thomas	won
18 Jan	Washington TV	Karl Kruger	won
19 Jan	Philadelphia	Tony Rocca	won
20 Jan	Troy, Ohio	Gene Deubuque	won
22 Jan	The Garden with Orton vs B. Wright and Valentine		won
25 Jan	Washington TV	Ian Campbell	won
26 Jan	Chicago	Johnny Valentine	won
27 Jan	Bridgeport TV	Eugenio Marin	won
17 Jan	St. Louis TV	Thor Hagen	won
2 Feb	St. Louis	John Paul Henning	NC
3 Feb	Detroit	Larry Vhene	drew
5 Feb	Pittsbrugh	Johnny Valentine	won
8 Feb	Torotho	Bulldog Brower	won
10 Feb	Bridgeprot TV	Jim La Rock	won
10 Feb	Long Island City	Bruno Sammartino	won
12 Feb	The Garden with Orton vs Valentine and Ellis		lost
15 Feb	Toronto	Bulldog Brower	won disq
17 Feb	Philadelphia	Bearcat Wright	won
20 Feb	Dayton	Moose Cholak	won
23 Feb	Chicago	Billy Darenll	won
24 Feb	Detroit	Larry Chene	won
26 Feb	The Garden with Orton vs Ellis and Valentine		lost
27 Feb	Providence	Carlo Milano	won
1 Mar	Toronto	Bulldog Brower	won disq
2 Mar	Columbus	Moose Cholak	won
5 Mar	Pittsburgh	Reggie Lisowski	drew
8 Mar	Washington TV	Jim LaRook	won
9 Mar	Chicago	Shohei Baba	won
12 Mar	St. Louis	John Paul Henning	won
17 Mar	Philadelphia	Miguel Perez	won
19 Mar	The Garden	Bob Ellis	won
20 Mar	Providence	Tony Rocca	won
24 Mar 62	Columbus	Moose Cholak	won

27 Mar 62	Raleigh	Johnny Weaver	won
30 Mar	Chicago	Art Thomas	won
31 Mar	Columbus with Rocca vs Cholak and Bollas		won
2 Apr	Pittsburgh	Bruno Sammartino	won
4 Apr	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	won disq
6 Apr	St. Louis	Johnny Valentine	won
7 Apr	White Plains	Johnny Valentine	won
9 Apr	Johnstown, Pa	Johnny Valentine	won
12 Apr	Washington TV with Scott vs Skaaland and Greg Jarque		won
13 Apr	Chicago	Tony Rocca	won disq
14 Apr	Paterson	Mark Lewin	won
23 Apr	Washington with Scott vs Valentine and Ellis		lost
24 Apr	Sunnyside TV	Bud Cody	won
1 May	Dallas	Duke Keomuka	won
7 May	Pittsburgh	Art Thomas	won
8 May	Summysdie TV	Tony Altemore	won
9 May	Commack	Johnny Valentine	won
10 May	Washington TV	Pete Sanchez	won
11 May	Houston	Pepper Gomez	won
12 May	Bridgeport TV	Carlo Milano	won
14 May	Trenton	Art Thomas	won
18 May	Chicago	Tony Rocca	won
19 May	Sunnyside	Pampero Firpo	won
24 May	Washington TV with Barend vs Skaaldn and Darnell		won
25 May	The Garden	Bob Ellis	drew
31 May	Washington TV with Barend vs Mark Lewin and Cody		won
2 June	Newark with Barend vs Mark Lewin and Valentine		won
5 June	Dallas	John Paul Henning	won
15 June	St. Louis	Johnny Valentine	won
16 June	Philadelphia	Shohei Baba	won
19 June	Trenton	Regi Siki	won
21 June	Washington TV	Fred Atkins	won
22 June	The Garden	Bob Ellis	won
23 June	Franklin, Pa	Tomas Marin	won
25 June	Quebec City	Chuck Bruce	won
26 June	Bridgeport TV	Tim Hampton	won
28 June	Washington Tv with Barend vs Darnell and Cody		won
30 June	Dayton	Bobo Brazil	won
2 July	Pittsburgh	Reggie Lisowski	won
3 July	Bridgeport TV	Eugenio Marin	won
4 July	Atlantic City	Johnny Valentine	won
7 July	Bridgeport	Eugenio Marin	won
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7 July	Columbus	Shohei Baba	won
9 July	Freeport	Moose Choak	won
12 July	Toronto	Bruno Sammartino	won
13 July	The Garden with Barend vs Ellis and Valentine		won
14 July	Bridgeport TV	Vic Christy	won
14 July	Akron	Moose Cholak	won
17 July	Washington	Bobo Brazil	drew
18 July	Orlando	Mike Paidousis	won
19 July	Jacksonville	Great Malenko	won
20 July	Miami Beach	Ieb Montana	won
21 July	Tampa	Harry Smith	won
24 July	The Garden with Barend vs Ellis and Valentine		won
25 July	Columbus	Shohei Baba	won
26 July	Washington with Barend vs Costello and Heffernan		won
27 July	Chicago	Ed Carpentier	won
28 July	Columbus TV	Terry Foster	won
28 July 62	Paterson with Barend vs Calhoun and Valentine		won

1 Aug 62	Winnipeg	Billy Watson	won
2 Aug	Toronto	Bruno Sammartino	won
3 Aug	The Garden with Barend vs Brazil and Carpentier		NC
4 Aug	Philadelphia with Barend vs Rocca and Valentine		NC
7 Aug	Des Moines	Tony Rocca	won
8 Aug	Dubuque	Bobo Brazil	won
9 Aug	Montreal	Ed Carpentier	dual disq
11 Aug	Atlantic City	Tony Rocca	won
13 Aug	Ft. Worth	Cyclops	won
14 Aug	Dallas	John Paul Henning	won
17 Aug	Houston	Art Thomas	won
18 Aug	Newark	Bobo Brazil	lost
24 Aug	The Garden with Barend vs Brazil and Carpentier		lost di sq
25Aug	Akron	Tony Rocca	won
28 Aug	Dubuque	Bobo Brazil	lost disq
30 Aug	Toronto	Bruno Sammartino	won
31 Aug	Columbus	Johnny Barend	won
3 Sept	Atlantic City sith E. Graham vs Calhoun and B. Wright		won
6 Sept	Toronto TV	George Kosti	won
27 Sept	Toronto TV	Timmy Geohagen	won
28 Sept	Chica o with Barend vs Brazil and Carpentier		lost i sq
4 Oct	Brower	In Toronto	won
5 Oct	The Garden with Kowalski vs Brazil and Carpentier		lost disq
6 Oct	Paterson with Baredn and Bobby Davis vs Collins, Conley and Alfred		won
11 Oct	Washington TV with Kowalski vs Perez and Skaaland		won
16 Oct	Pittsburgh	Ed Carpentier	won
16 Oct	Bridgeport TV	Gene Kelly and Rocky Storm	won

Are you people as tired of reading as I am of typing?

19 Oct	Chicago	Ed Carptneir	won
20 Oct	Akron	The Mongul	won
22 Oct	Baltimore	Tony Rocca	won
24 Oct	The Garden	Killer Kowalski	won disq
25 Oct	Washington TV with Barend vs Robles and Rhinehart		won
25 Oct	Bridgeport TV	Gene Kelly	won
26 Oct	Island Gardens	Tony Rocca	drew
26 Oct	Bridgeport TV the above one was live.	Eugenio Marin	won
30 Oct	Toledo	Bobo Brazil	won

Why doesn't some nice young (or old) lady who can type marry me and take me away from all of this.

1 Nov	Washington TV	Guy Taylor	won
2 Nov	St. Louis	Ed Carptneir	won
3 Nov	West Hempstead	Bruno Sammartino	won
5 Nov	Pittsburgh	Bruno Sammartino	won
8 Nov	Washington TV	Guy Taylor	won
8 Nov	Montreal	Bob Bedard	won
9 Nov	Chicago	Bobo Brazil	won disq
10 Nov	Bridgeport TV	Bob Boyer	won
10 Nov	Akron	The Mongul	won
12 Nov	The Garden	Dory Dixon	drew
14 Nov	Toledo	Vittorio Apollo	won
15 Nov	Montreal	Arnold Skaaland	won
19 Nov	Baltimore	Shohei Baba	won
21 Nov	Montreal	Killer Kowalski (broken leg)	lost
29 Dec 62	Bridgeport TV	Pete Sanchez	won
29 Dec 62	Philadelphia with Bared and Dubuque vs Apollo, Morales and Miguel Perez		won
1 Jan 63	Bridgeport TV	Eugenio Marin	won
3 Jan	Washington with Barend and Dubuque vs Apollo, Morales and Perez		won

The Philly card was agianst Rocca, Brazil and Apollo and they (Rogers team) lost

3 Jan 63	Washington TV	Gene Kelly	won
5 Jan	Cleveland TV	Bobby Clark	won
8 Jan	Bridgeport TV	with Barend vs Dixon and Skaaland	won disq
10 Jan	Washington TV	Miguel Perez	won
12 Jan	Philadelphia	Bobo Brazil	won
12 Jan	Pittsburgh TV	Billy Fox	won
14 Jan	Washington	Buddy Austin	won
15 Jan	Bridgeport TV	with Barend vs Kelly and Jarque	won
16 Jan	Montreal	Killer Kowalski	drew
17 Jan	Cleveland	Bobo Brazil	NC
18 Jan	Chicago	Bobo Brazil	won
19 Jan	Philadelphia	Bobo Brazil	won
21 Jan	The Garden	Killer Bobo Kowalski	won
23 Jan	Richmond, Va	Ed Carpentier	won
24 Jan	Toronto	Lou Thesz for title	lost
25 Jan	New Haven	Bobo Brazil	won
29 Jan	Bridgeport TV	Ted Lewin	won
31 Jan	Cleveland	Bobo Brazil	won
1 Feb	St. Louis	Ed Carpentier	won
2 Feb	Pittsburgh TV	Frank Pickens	won
4 Feb	Pittsburgh	Bruno Sammartino	won
5 Feb	Vridgeport TV	Miguel Perez	won
6 Feb	Baltimore	Bobo Brazil	NC
7 Feb	Torotnto	Lou Thesz	lost
8 Feb	Chicago	with Barend vs Dixon and Brazil	drew
9 Feb	Cleveland	Dory Dixon	won
10 Feb	Chicago TV	Killer Kowalski	won
11 Feb	Washington	Buddy Austin	won
12 Feb	Trenton	Pedro Morales	won
14 Feb	Cleveland	Ed Carpentier	won
16 Feb	Paterson	Ed Carpentier	won
19 Feb	Lansing	Larry Chene	drew
21 Feb	Washington TV	Ron Reed	won
22 Feb	Chicago	Killer Kowalski	won
23 Feb	Philadelphia	Bobo Brazil	won
25 Feb	The Garden	Dory Dixon	won
26 Feb	Bridgeport TV	Pablo Iturbi	won
28 Feb	Cleveland	Killer Kowalski	won
2 Mar	Newark	Bobo Brazil	won
4 Mar	Washington w Bared and Dubuqm	vs Brazil, Austin and Dixon	lost
5 Mar	Bridgeport TV	Roberto Gonzalez	won
6 Mar	Richmond	Buddy Austin	won
7 Mar	Washington	with Barend vs Austin and Great Scott	lost
9 Mar	Pittsburgh TV	Gene Kelly	won
12 Mar	Trenton	Pedro Morales	won
14 Mar	Washington	with Barend vs Austin and Scott	lost
16 Mar	Jersey City	Buddy Austin	won
18 Mar	Pittsburgh	Killer Kowalski	won
21 Mar	Washington TV	Gene Kelly	won
22 Mar	Chicago	Killer Kowalski	won
23 Mar	Philadelphia	with Barend and Dubuque vs Brazil, Austin and Art Thomas	won
25 Mar	The Garden	Johnny Barend	won
29 Mar	West Hempsteaf	Bobo Brazil	won
30 Mar	Newark	with Steeves vs Barend and Brazil	lost
2 Apr	Bridgeport TV	Ron Reed	won
4 Apr	Washington	Johnny Barend	drew
5 Apr	Chicago	Dory Dixon	won
6 Apr	Baltimore	Bobo Brazil	won
11 Apr 63	Washington	Johnny Barend	won

16 Apr 63	Ottawa	Bulldog Brower	won
18 Apr	Washington	Bruno Sammartino	NC

It was after this bout that Buddy was given (awarded) the WWWF title and belt.

20 Apr	Boston	Ed Carpentier	won
4 May	Newark	Johnny Barend	won
17 May	The Garden	Bruno Sammartino for title	lost
18 May 63	Baltimore	Vittorio Apollo	won

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The above record, covering twelve and a half years, easily shows the quality and talent of Buddy Rogers. He faced 284 different men in 111 cities, and lost only 111 bouts out of over 950. He wrestled in 33 states or provinces of Canada. He faced almost every top man around, and won the vast majority of his matches. He had 32 tag partners with whom he worked, and faced 25 of them, beating them all. There are few people on the face of the Earth who can begin to match this record.

This shows the good parts of his record. A somewhat closer look will tell other things. Like for instance, his record while the NWA champion. I dislike saying this, but Buddy is directly responsible for the formation of the WWWF. When he became the NWA champ, several groups dropped out of the NWA. Some of them banded together to form their own organizations and recognize their own champo; some joined existing groups, some simply did not book the NWA champ, Rogers. The leavings, as noted from his record, is close to the present day WWWF. He was given far more general recognition than at least one of the predessors, but still not as much as Thesz or O'Connor. I dislike blaming Buddy for the cancerous growth, but ther it is.

Buddy turned pro before the record commences here; some four or five years or so prior. He retired temporarily in mid 1963, but is once again wrestling. His record the past months is as good as the above record, with wins over the top men in and around Montreal and up-state New York. I do not have his full record, but know he has been working both for Pedro Martinez and New York and the Montreal people. If possible, I will include his more up to date record later. He is a great one.

Buddy holds the record for the largest attendance in the histroy of American wrestling, drawing well over the prior record gate. This was in Chicago on 30 June 1961. According to rumor that I have heard, there may be a match this summer also in Chicago between Rogers and Verne Gagne. If the match is an outdoors one, look for a new record.

I've seen Buddy many times in my life. He is that rarity or raities; a man who is both a villian and a hero at the same time. A man cheered to the rafters one moment than booed the next. He arroused the fans like no man to ever grace the ring. /A wild, wonderful guy, he had more talent, more ability, more style, more moxie than any other guy I've ever seen. It is a privelege to have seen him, and a disappointment to have missed him. He is beyond a doubt the greatest that I have ever seen.

Accoriding to reports I have seen, Buddy looks better now than during his tour as champion. If this is so, and if he continues with his come-back, look for him in your areas. Even if you have to travel a hundred or more miles, it is worth the trip. He is just too good to miss. We may be able to have dates for his up-coming matches in future issues of MATMANIA, and if so, it is worth any time and sitance traveled to see him. As mentioned above, he is the greatest. THE GREATEST.

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We love you, Buddy Rogers. You're the greatest of them all.

RESULTS FROM THE WWWF

26 May. PYLESVILLE, MD. Tony Parisi and Spiros Arion W Jess Ortega and Tank Morgan Prof Tanaka W Ox. Arman Hussian W Baron Scicluna. Luke Graham W Smasher Sloan. Tony Altemore W Arnold Skaaland.
27 May. BOSTON. Bruno Sammartino W Scicluna. Arion W Graham. Tanaka W Louie Cerdan. Ed Carpentier W Sloan. Bill Miller W Ox. Parisi W Morgan. Skaaland W John Rodz. Albano and Altemore W Ricki Sexton and Hussian.
29 May. PITTSBURGH. Bruno W Gorilla Monsoon disq. Bobo Brazil D Miller. George Steele W Batman. Scicluna W John DeFazio. Frank Holtz W Chuck Martoni. Hurricane Hunt W Jim Grahmire. Arion and Parisi W Ortega and Sloan.
1 June. Im sorry, 3 June. PHILADELPHIA. Monsoon W Bruno. Parisi and Arion W Graham and Miller. Carpentier W Scicluna. Tanaka W Cerdan. Hussian W Morgan. Sloan W Skaaland. Miguel Perez D Pete Sanchez.
5 June. WASHINGTON. Albano and Altemore W Sexton and Perez. Ortega W Sloan. Hussian W Morgan. Parisi W Graham. Tanaka W Brazil. Bruno W Monsoon disq.
17 June. BALTIMORE. Arion and Bruno W Monsoon and Tanaka. Carpentier W Graham. Brazil W Ortega. Albano and Altemore W Perez and Hussian. Parisi W Morgan. Scicluna W Ox. Sloan W Angelo Savoldi.
23 June. CLIFTON, N.J. Bruno W Graham. Arion and Parisi W Monsoon and Morgan. Tanaka W Ox. Ortega W Skaaland disq. Sloan D Woody Farmer. Scicluna W Hussian.

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The match on the third in Philadelphia will undoubtedly go down in history as one of the greatest of all time. One of our members, a staunch Bruno man, told me about it. Monsoon pinned Bruno fair and square. Bruno, after getting up, went to his corner, laid his hands in his face and laid against the ropes, a beaten and dejected match. Only later, did the WWWF promoters state that a hidden camera had shown that the Gorilla had used the ropes for leverage to gain the fall. Thus the pin did not count, the fall did not count and the match did not count. A rematch is scheduled for June the 24th, previously to which the title is being held up. On the count of ten I want everyone to say "Smile, Your On Candid Camera."

Another of our members would like me to comment on a match on the 23rd of May in Scranton, Pa. Arnold Skaaland pinned Tank Morgan, winning the fall and the match. What needs to be said? When Morgan first moved into this area, we stated that he lost well over 75 per cent of his matches, and against rather dubious opponents. And now, that he is sinking down to his known level, I should make a furhther comment? Why?

After that match in Philly when Bruno's un-broken string of two straight wins was broken, the title was to be held up pending a re-match. I note, tho, that he continued defending it against other opponents and against the Gorilla in other cities. It makes a person think that maybe the title does not really make too much sense or is not too important. The promoters will not like me or anyone else saying this; the "champion" will not like me saying this; his fans will not like it; but they do the actions and I do the reporting. I am not to blame; it is they. It is they who do some of the stupidest, craziest things this side of heaven. They are against resuls reporting, and I can see why. With results, they might have to tell the truth.

Heaven forbid, my dears.

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Woody Farmer, the newcomer to fat mans paradise is not fat. Only 220 or so, he is just a young person and said to be a doll. Here from California, he lives in Virginia and is probably going to go down to the Carolinas soon. Watch for him dwon there, as I doubt if he will remain here long; no gut. No fat. Sighsville.

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GENERAL RESULTS

12 May. PORT HURON. Lord Layon W Big Bad John. White Owl W Art Thomas. Igor W Seelie Amara. Lou Klein W Ivan Kalmikofff.
27 May. DETROIT. The Shiek W Ernie Ladd. Igor W Jess Ortega. Bobo Brazil W Karl Kox. Al Costello and Karl Von Brauner W Fred Curry and Red Lyons. Klein W Babe Loren Mark Lewin W BB John. Karl Karlson W Tom Jones. Bulldog Brower W Thomas. White Owl W Amara.
1 June. VILLA PARK, ILL. Paul Chirsty W Johnny Vace. Angelo Poffo D Carl Engstrom Joe Mills W Tiger Malloy.
2 June. TALBOT, WIS. Jack Wilson W Bad Boy Joe. Goelz and Johnny Gilbert W Bob Kappel and Joe LaCour. Phil Christy W Mark Starr.
7 June. WINDSOR TV. Klein W Bill Howard. Brazil and Lewin W The Meteor and Loren. Ladd W Phil Christy. Karlson W Al LeFrance. Costello and Von Brauner W Tom Jones and Kappel.
10 June. DETROIT. Shiek W Igor. Lewin and Brazil W Costello and Von Brauner. Brazil W Brower. Klein D Tokyo Joe. Bobby Shane W Joe Christie. Lucille Dupre W Mary Jane Mull. Kox W Bill Miller. Curry and Lyons W Karlson and Kace.

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I am proud to say that finally a promoter is getting on the stick and doing what should have been done years ago, and done everywhere. The wrestling in Toledo, Ohio will be on a weekly basis from now on. To the best of my knowledge, this is the firs time something like this has happened in years. They do have some good men; of that there is little doubt. But their wrestling in the entire area has hardly been the worldest greatest, but now, I tip my favourite Destroyer mask to them. I'll even say that they's goodies.

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I am being gripped by a feeling of absolute, complete frustration. I've been following wrestling for more years than I care to remeber, and have seen many things during that time. I've learned many things, but have never yet learned to keep my nose into my own business. The area we just covered above has, in times past, been the most completely wrestling-ized area in the country. Al Haft in Ohio, Bert Rubi in Michigan, and various other men thorughout Micigan, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin and so forth all ran large empires of weekly wrestling. And in that area, once the very capitol of wrestling, we now have only a few dozen matches a month. I will never get to the point of understanding this. It is as tho the promoters were afraid of doing anything. Afraid to work, afraid to promote, afraid to make money. The poor slobs look and act as tho they had an allergy to success. The four area, the four state area above is the most thivkly populated in the country, with more people than even in the WWWF area, but they draw less people, have less business, less wrestling than any other area in the country.

The head man of this detiriorated area is Francis Eleser, a man who, last year, was named Promoter of the Year at the fan club convention. This man deserves this award as much as Thomas Dewey deserved the Politician of the Year award way back when I will say no more about this stupid waste of space and talent. The fact that they are drawing smaller crowds than the girls playing jax down stairs is indicative of the fact that I am not the only one tired of them and their tomfollery.

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They did get one new man into the Detroit area. Karl Karlson, a man ran out of the Ozarks because he was a lousy wrestler. And Karl Karlson is a top-nothcer in The Shikedom. If I did not see and read it with my own eyes, I would consider the entire thing as being straight out of Alice in Wonderland.

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RESULTS FROM THE SOUTHWEST

"$ May 24. PHOENIX. Chuck Karbo W Louis Valenzuela. Matty O'Hara W Jean Sherril. Pepper Morales and Pedro Gomez lost to the Dupre Bros. Don Kent W Ray Gordon. Roberto Pico W Don Arnold.
26 May. PHOENIX. Karbo W P. Gomez. Valenzueala W Carlos Cruz. Pico W Gomez. Mae Young and Sherril W O'Hara and Mae Weston. Dupres NC Kent and Luis Martinez. Arnold D Gordon.
2 June. PHOENIX. Kent and Martinez W Dupres for tag title. Valenzueala W Bill Tipton. Mister Yamamoto W Cruz. Pico W Gypsy Biviano. Ray Valdez W Arnold.
9 June. PHOENIX. Valenzuela D Karbo. Yamamoto W Cruz. Gordon D Biviano. Pico D Tipton. Valdez W Arnold. Dupres W Kent and Martinez.
14 June. PHOENIZ. Gordon D Karbo. Martinez and Kent W Yamamoto and Biviano. Pico W Paul Dupre. Valdez W Ron Dupre. Arnold W Valenzuela.
16 June. PHOENIX. Pico D Biviano. Valenzuela W Yamamoto. Akio Yashara W Cruz. Karbo D Gordon. Arnold D Valdez. Dupres NC Kent and Martinez.

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This area always has entrigued me. Phoenix has live wrestling twice a week. Other cities like Tucson, Mesa, Casa Grande have once a week. Also taped TV of the Phoenix men, taped TV from California, large monthly cards also from Calif, four or week, plus another one a month. Some 17 or more matches a month. I know of no other comparably sized city who does as well as they do on this score. And they all draw good crowds. Altho I'm not sure how.

I've seen pics of Valdez and he is properly called a doll. Ditto the younger of the Dupre brothers. Kent and Martinez are, of course, among the most popular light weights in the world. Who the two Japanese men are, I do not know, but they are always exciting and crowd pleasers. The other men like Gomez, Morales and so forth may be just only so much excess baggage, but they did the job. Tis good to see legitimate men wrestling there again. As mentioned often, Karbo is about as wild as they come, as is Pico. All in all, it is another good, wild, capable group. And could probably wrestle circles around some of the more established ar as.

Just a note. Biviano looks a great deal like a young Frank Jares/Antone Leone rolled into one. In short, like a ruff, ole corn cob. A top notch villian, he has worked throughout the Southwest, western Texas and Mexico. Why he does not further north and east, I do not know; I am sure he would go over well here.

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Title-holders here are Don Arnold, the U.S. champ and now Kent and Martinez, the tag champs. The Dupres have beaten the current champs once since, and will possibly re-win the belts. They are a good team, but could use more exposure in other parts of the country. Gordon loses almost as much and as often as do some of the other champions; it means little, it seams, for a champion to lose now days.

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There was one young Japanese boy who came here to this country, or was scheduled to in la e May or so. Maybe earlier. A judo expert, he was only twenty years old or so. He is 26 years old, weighs loO kilograms, which is around 210 or so. He won the national judo championship in 1965, then turned pro early May of this year. His name is Seiji Sakaguchi. I doubt if there is any connection, but it is possible. No man comes from nowhere into prominence, as do bubbles. A foto of Yashara would be helpful.

As always, we miss more than we got from this area in the way of results. This is all we received, and even then it is slightly repetitious. Oh well...

RESULTS FROM CALIFORNIA & HAWAII

21 May. SAN DIEGO. Ernie Ladd W Stomper. Stevens W Destroyer. Morales and Ricky Romero W DiBiase and Ron Romano. Jerry Graham D Makrl Lewin. Nick Bockwinkle W Steve Stanlee. 1840 fans.
24 May. HONOLULU. George Drake D Rip Collins. Hans Mortier W Dean Higuchi. Baby Blimp (Geo Harris) W Paul Diamond. Barend W Fujiwara. Hady W Kongozan. Collins won 13 man royal, above plus Blears, Iaukea, and Bearuegarde.
25 May. SACRAMENTO. Rip Miller W Tom Andrews. Jim Starr W Eddie Sharkey. Ladd W Starr. Little Cloud W Boucher. DeNucci D Stevens.
27 May. PHOENIX. Stevens W Bill Watts. Gomez and Morales W Negro and Stomper. Joe Scarpa W Starr. Little Cloud and Christanello W Boucher and Rose.
31 May. HONOLULU. Drake D Beauregarde. Barend W Diamond. Collins D White Wolf. Iaukea W Harris. Hady W Collins.
31 May. LOS ANGELES TV. Karl Kox and DiBiase W Brazil and Lewin. Karl Gotch W Crazy Horse. Graham W Steve Colfax. Romero D Skull Murphy. Firpo W Romano. Morales W Johnny Vander.
2 June. LOS ANGELES. Kintaro Oki W Graham. Thesz D DiBiase. Lewin W Morales. Murphy D Kox. Firpo W Art Michalik. Gotch W Romano. Romero D Bockwinkle.
3 June. SNA FRANCISCO. Stevens D Ladd. Gomez and Morales W Stomper and Negro. Thesz W Gene Dubuque. Murphy W Scarpa. DeNucci W Starr. Frank Sheilds W Sharkey. Oops, they drew. Andrews W Jerry Miller.
4 June. SAN DIEGO. Ladd D Stevens. Morales W DiBiase. Romero W Lewin. Oki D Bockwinkle. Firpo W Graham.
7 June. HONOLULU. White Wolf W Beauregarde. Barend and Hady W Mortier and Harris Iaukea W Kongozan. Collins W Blears.
7 June. LOS ANGELES. Oki W Michalik. This is TV. Lewin W Garfano. Firpo W Vander Gotch W Romano. Bockeinkle D Crazy Horse.
15 June. PHOENIX TV. Gomez and Morales W Jerry Miller and Starr. Stevens and Murphy W Sharkey and Red Bastien.
16 June. LOS ANGELES. Lewin W Brazil disq. Oki W Kox. DiBiase W Firpo. Gotch and DiBiase D Morales and Romero. Clyde Steeves W Diamond. Moto D Bockwinkle.

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Karl Gotch is now a villian down in Los Angeles. One of the all time greats, he is evedently towards the end of his brilliant career. Skull Murphy is a busy man; teaming with Stevens up north and with Gotch down south. Ernie Ladd has also been a busy little beaver; his two matches with the Blonde Bummer, then he is scheduled in Honolulu on the 14th of June, altho I do not have the results.

New faces in the area include Frank Shields, who was in northern rings four months ago, and Thesz on his normal visits. Ladd, of course, is new, but was only in for a visit. Moto is back from Japan, but gone are Graham, and soon, Joe Scarpa. For a rather wild change, the southern half has no new top nothchers this past few ceeks; only Paul Diamond, hardly a serious addition. But they still have seven of the top 30 men in the world there. And that is more than any other area arouhd. They still out draw every other area, as based on an weekly average. They's still goodies, and will undoubtedly get even better.

This Kintaro Oki si (is) also known as Il Kimm, the father of Korean wrestling. A fairly small man, he was trained by the great Rikidozan, and is one of the best of all time. He is well known in Texas, having wrestled there a few years ago; altho I doubt if they would welcome him back with open arms as he was a bit af a villian then With wins over Lewin, Grahm, Michalik and others, he is rapidly becoming the biggest drawing card in that area.

I forgot to mention Clyde Steeves coming bck to the south. Clydie Boy is one of the wildest, most hair-raising guys in the ring, and would be a welcome addition anywhere. Hims good.

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NEWS FROM JAPAN

There is a tournament going on at present in Japn presented by the Japanese Professional Wrestling Enterprises. The American wrestlers involved are Don Leo Jonothan, Rip Hawk, Swede Hanson, Dutch Savage and Ike Eakins. This tourney will run thru 27 June, at which time Jonothan will return to the States, and another tourney will start. The other Americans presently there will participate, plus Indians, from India, Dara Singh and Surdara Singh will participate in a tourney called the Golden Series. Dara Singh had been in Japan once before, 12 years ago, and Surdara 7 years ago. They are brothers.

Meanwhile, the second promotional group in Japn, The Tokyo Pro Wrestling Enterprises, has been disbanded. The major wrestler of this group, Kanji Inoki, has joined the JPWE and is participating in all of its tournaments. The second wrestler of this group, Toyonobori, long one of the major wrestlers in Japan, has gone into semi-retirement.

As mentioned in times past, there is a third group that has promoted matches in the past in Japan. It is the IWE, with Hiro Matsuda the president and major wrestler. Usually, in the past, they had matches in conjunction with the TPWE, but since they have disbanded, the IWE will matches on their own. Their first tourney will start on 17 July and will include American stars Sam Steamboat, Bill Dromo, Dennis Hall and Roger Kirby. The tourney will have 16 bouts in it, thus ending somewhere around the end of July. Both Steamboat and Dromo have been in Japan before; Sam last year and Bill three years ago. Late news gives that Toyo will be in the IWE torney called the Pioneer Summer Series.

Yoshinosato, long known to the wrestling in the States, is the new president of the TPWE. He replaced Shohei Baba as the prexie of it. Kohichi Endo, one of the pioneers of Japmese wrestling along with Rikidozan is the new prexie of the WWA, replacing Jules Strongbow. It was Endo who contracted the two Indians wrestlers for the Goled Series.

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General info from here on in. There has been some confusion about George Harris and Crybaby Cannon. They once wrestled as tag team brothers; the Harris boys. Some people have thot they were one in the same, but not so. Also some have asked if Tanaka, who is wrestling here in the East is the same as Taro Myaki. Tanaka has wrestled in the past as Okiyama, but he is not the same as Myaki. Taro is a much ligther man, and shorter than Tanaka. He is possibly, maybe the same as, skip it, I have no idea who is he wrestling as now. I was going to say Sasaki, but am not sure.

There are two different men now working with the name of Oki Shikina. The original is on the staff of the JPWE in Japan, mainly as a referee, but wrestles on occasions. The second is now in the Atlanta area.

There are some people who feel that Cecil February, who was in the WWWF area not too long ago, is also Frank James, he who made such a big hit around Boston earlier in the year.

Late news from the Northwest has new stars Rick Renaldo, Abdullah Bey in the area. These men are on the Seattle, Vancouver circuit, along with such men as the Tollos brothers, the McClarty brothers, McNulty, Tony Nero, Sandy Barr, Frank Shields and others. The next item, altho I dislike gossip, is wild. Sandy Barr, a man who is being pushed as the latest child prodigy, a 19 year old, fuzzy cheeked youngster, is the child,oops, the father of five and around 30 years old. I dislike goossip, except when I get some that is interesting.

Luther Lindsey and Shag Thomas, enemies a month or so ago in Canada, are now tag team champs in Oregon, having beaten Tony Borne and Lonnie Mayne. The two negro stars are among the most popular men to ever appear in that area. On 13 June in Seattle, there was a match that will undoubtedly go down in history. Rick Renaldo almost pulled the wrestling tights off of Chris Tolos. Chris, looking like the ad for copper-tone, almost flubbed his following interview. Almost, but not wuite.

RESULTS FROM THE NORTHWEST

5 June. WISHRAM, WASH. Lonnie Mayne W Ray Lodlow. Bruce Kirk W Johnny Kostas disq Shag Thomas W Alex the Great. Pete Tedesco, ref.
6 June. REPUBLIC, WASH. Kostas and Mayne W Rennie Marr and Alfie Vince. Alex D Ludlow. Kostas D Marr. Mayne W Vince.
7 June. RITZVILLE, WASH. Cal Roberts and Ivan Kameroff W Red Devil and Alex. Dick Cardinael D Danno McDonald. Danny Red Fox D Bob Regan. Kameroff NC Devil. Roberts vs Alex, dual disq. Pago Pago, ref.
8 June. TWIN FALLS, IDA. Kentucky Kidd W Bruno Burns. Sandy Barr W Alex Munoe. Snowman W Owen Ware.
9 June. PENDELTON, ORE. Devil W Marr. Vince D Alex. Freddie Barron D Ware. Cal Robetts W Regan.
10 June. EPHRATA, WASH. Snowman, Alex and Rex Faces W Roberts, Marr and Vince. Kameroff D Danno. Barron D Ludlow. Fox NC Regan. Regan won royal over all above. The tag match was a total disq rather than a win for the first team. Snowman W Vince Roberts W Faces. Alex D Marr. This match drew 4667 fans.
12 June. ISSAQUAH, WASH. Thomas W Tony Borne. Pepper Martin W Regi Siki. Snowman W Roberts disq. Kostas W Kameroff.
13 June. BREMERTON. Martin D Borne. Thomas W Siki. Snowman W Fox. Roberts W Kostas.
14 June. ANACORTES, WASH. Kameroff and Devil W Cardinael and Fox. Roberts W Regan Alex W Ludlow.

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Port Angeles, one of the major cities of the above area, will be having matches on the following dates: 29 July, 26 August, and 23 September. Tickets are only 2.00 and 1.75. We are including this info as many of our members in the area have wanted it so as to plan their way to getting to one of the matches.

The above matches are primarily those of the small independant man. As noted, tho, he has some of the best in the business. Men like Thomas, Borne, Siki, Kostas Martin and so forth, are among the best around t oday. Others like Barron, Ludlow and others, have all it takes to make it to the top. In short, a group of men who could probably match any anywhere for excitement and interest. Our congrats to the promoters there.

That match with 4,000 plus fans intrigues me. I don't know the town in question but I doubt if it was too much larger than the size of the gate. If they do that wel with all of their cards, they's doeng some great work.

There is a rumor that Danny Hodge may be going up this way. He and Tony Borne have had some wild bouts in times past, and if they meet again, it would be one of the wildest matches in an area noted for wild ones. Watch for them, Danny especialy if he hits your area. Should be wild.

I have no idea as to who is working the Seattle, Vancouver area. Jonothan is gone, Jardine is gone, Savage is gone. I guess that leaves the Telos Bros, the Mc Clarty Bros, and Cannon. Sounds like a thriller, diller. Of course, both Kiniski and Stevens have both been around more than likely, and say what you will (or as I will) they are both exciting people. And well worth the move to see them.

This area has long been one of the best for the lighter weight men. The last four or five years, they have been having more of the heavier ones, and with them came a period of stagnation. Bouts further and further apart, fewer new top stars, and little new and exciting. With this new group, tho, things are really looking up. New faces always help, and that is what they are getting. I wish they could take over some of our area. Welcome back, men.

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RESULTS FROM CANADA

3 May. QUEBEC CITY. Hans Schmidt D Ed Carpentier. Johnny Rougeau and Larry Moquin W Regi Siki and Beast. Matt Gillmore D Maurice LaPointe. Eddie Aguger W Gattoni.
4 May. SASKATOON. Jerry and Bobby Christy and Luther Lindsey W Shag Thomas, Firpo Zbyszko and Paul DeGalles. Steiger bros W Bud Cody and Leo Burke. Dave Ruhl W Charley Fox. Pepe Montez W Zbyszko.
5 May. CLAGARY. Clem St. Louis NC Burke. Steigers W Cody and Montez. Johnny Foti W Vic Rossettani.
10 May. QUEVEC CITY. Maurcie Vachon W Rougeau disq. Pat Lawrence and Aldo Fernandez W Leo Robert and Juan Lopez. Moquin W Ovila Asselin. Cowboy Jones W Yvon Racicot. Gino Britto W Tony Angelo.
17 May. QUEBEC CITY. Vachon and Baron von Raske W Rougeau and Moquin. Schmidt W Mohan Singh. Gillmore W Lou Klein. Britto W Fernandez. Len Shelly W Lawrence.
22 May. MONTREAL. Vachon W Schmidt disq. Rougeau and Moquin W Gillmore and Tokyo Joe. Jamaica Kid W Brutus. Von Raske W LaPointe. Britto W Chico Garcia.
24 May. QUEBEC CITY. Rougeau and Moquin W Vachon and Von Raske disq. LaPointe W Gillmore. Brutus W J. Kid. Britto W Garcia. Tokyo Joe W Auger.
24 May. SASKATTOON. Steigers W Ruhl and Cody. Stan Stasiak W Montez. DeGalles W Bob Christy disq. Jerry Christy W Zbyszko. Rosettani W Burke.

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Unfortunatley, we have little late news from Canada. With three major circuits in the area, plus the Vancouver circuit further west, plus some of the AWA men in Winnipeg, and the independant men from the Port Angleles area working in western Canada. In short, they have mucho much wrestling, and we get nothing current. We have memebers throughout the area, but for some reason, all of them failed us at the same time.

We did get some last minute line-ups, tho, so we know a little as to what is happening. These from Diane Devine of Springfield Missouri. Only id wrestling do you get Canadian news from Missouri and San Francisco results from a boy in Japan. Anyway, back on the ranch. The Toronto area has some top-nothchers working there, including such men as Lorenzo Parente, Fred Atkins, Regi Siki (who has since left and is in the Northwest), Mohna Singh, Tony Manousos, and others. Pat Flanigan and Billy Watson are also around, plus visits from Johnny Valentine and J hnny Powers. Gene Kiniski regularly visits the area also. In short, they have as good a series of matches as anywhere in the world. Jeffrey, I need your help.

The Calgary, Saskatton area has probably had a large-sized over-hall of talent, losing both Thomas and Lindsey. Stan Stasiak has also been rumored to be leaving, and Dave Ruhl has been out of action a bit of late. They have at least two new men, and probably more in there now. Hopefully, we will have additional news on this before we complete this issue.

The Montreal area, meanwhile, has gotten no new big name stars, but they have gotten a few lesser lights such as Bob Taylor, Don Serrano and Frank Lane. Lane and Serrano are both young men on their way up the ladder of wrestling, and they will be welcome additons. Serrano, who just left Florida, is a hero ty e, while Lane is one of the biggest bullies in the field of wrestling. Meanwhile, Maurice Vachon, the Montreal version of the world champion, is busyily defending his title against such men as were in the above results.

This area has far too many good men for us to miss their news. They also have some of the best promoters in the business in Legs Longevin in Montreal, Frank Tunney in Toronto and Stu Hart in Calgary. I sure nuff wish we could keep better informed as to what is happening. HELP.

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AN OPEN LETTER TO BRUNO SAMMARTINO

Dear Sir,

I have just received further word that you do not care for things said about you and East Coast wrestling in these bulletins. I am sorry that you do dislike them, but, unfortunately, we only present the facts. If these facts hurt, I am sorry; but do not blame me but rather the persons responsible: yourself and the promoters behind you.

I readily admit that I do not care for wrestling as it is currently being presented here. We get fewer new, top stars than any other area around. Far too many of the men, yourself included, have been here for years, with little liklihood that this will change. If the area has become stagnat, it is up to the wrestlers and promoters to alter the situation.

You are a fascinating wrestler to watch. You posess a rare ability to attract people and stir the emotions. Your drawing power is great, as witnessed by your triumphs in Japan and Australia, but surely you will admit that the top cities in this area have seen declines due to the repetitious matches with which we have been faced. In short, your personal drawing power in your home area has dwindled.

Who is to blame? The reporter or the news-makers? I report the facts as they are; the fault for these facts should be laid where the belong, at your door-step.

I love wrestling. I even enjoy watching you against a top opponent. But there are few things on which I can praise you or your record of the past few months. I sincerely wish I could, but honesty will not permit it.

In closing, sir, let me again emphasize that the blame for things as they now are is yours. Yours and the men for whom you wrestle.

Thank you.

Burt Ray
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Burt

On the preceeding page, we mentioned a drop in popularity of Bruno Sammartino and of East Coast wrestling in general. There will undoubtedly be people who disagre with that statement, so we will qupte some facts and figures. Wrestling in the Garden used to draw well over 20,000 a match, where they now draw only about 12 or 13 thousand. That is a drop of over 25 per cent. The other major cities around the area have had similar drops. Add to this the fact that where these same cities used to have wrestling on a once a week or bi-weekly, they now have only matches once a month or even more seldom. And that, kiddies, is a drop of well over 75 per cent. I agree that with these major matches being further apart, that Bruno can hit only the "high" spots, but it does not take away the fact that the entire area has lost at least 50% of their attendance in the past four or five years.

This drop in attendance has been caused by a variety of things, the main one being the loss of top flight talent. Where once the area boasted of more talent than any other area, we now have a group of men, some of whom are of rather questionable ability, and they have been in the area for anywhere from 15 years down to "only" two years.

The main thing in this particluar article, tho, is the personal popularity of Bruno Sammartino. How would a person increase the popularity of a man who is the most popular in a particular area? How would that popularity be increased? Rather simple: by leaving the area in question.

This naturally will take some explanation. There has been more written about Bruno in the past four or five years than about any other man. In short, he is tremendously well known around the world of wrestling. The easiest way to increase his popularity would be to tour the world of wrestling, especially this country, meeting the best in each area.

Such a tour, well publicized, would do many things for Bruno and for wrestling in general. We have often stated that he could be the biggest attraction in the history of wrestling. This is still so, as he has everything it takes to be one of the greatest of all time. How would it be done?

How? First, matches would have to be set up with the top men of each area. This is obvious, but first would be news of this tour "leaking" to the press so that news of it would be included in the various magazines. The tour in question would include some "naturals" as far as matches are concerned. Matches with Vachon, Valentine or Schmidt in Montreal area; with Powers, Vachon or Henning and Race in the AWA areas. With Arakawa or Markoff in Indianapolis; with Orton or Dale Lewis in Omaha; with Geigel in the Kansas, Iowa area; with either Lisowski, Waldo Von Erick, Valentine or Powers in St. Louis; with Shibuya, Bernard, Austin, Waldo, Patterson, or Kox in Texas with Thomas, Kox, Costello, Von Brauner or the Shiek in Detroit; with Stevens or Murphy in Northern Calif; with Murphy, Lewin, or Gotch in Los Angeles; with Graham or Paul Vachoj in Atlanta; with Malenko, Monroe or Hamilton in Florida; with Harris, Hamilton or one of the Andersons in the Carolinas. Any of these matches, with plenty of local advertising would have tremendous drawing power.

These matches, especially if they drew some record gates, would make good advertising back to this area. Frinstance, if Vachon versus Bruno drew a record crowd in Chicago, as it might, would make interesting news back here. And if the match there happened to be rather wild, a re-match would be necessary. HERE. Does that make sense? If the bout drew a huge crowd, if that news was included in our local news coverage, the re-match for it could take place at any of our top cities and would draw an equally good crowd.

Vachon, coming in cold, might not be too much of an attraction; unless sufficien news was sent back to here. Then Vachon, coming in for one TV match, would become a good drawing crowd versus Bruno. The re-match (es) would all draw well.

I say re-matches as the combination of Sammartino/Vachon would draw very well in any city in the WWWF. And after Bruno firmly beat Vachon here in the WWWF, he could resume his tour of the country.

These series of matches in the area, the home area of the opponent then the re-match here, would all draw well. Especially if, when the match took place, news of it was sent back here and given to Bruno's fans.

We, he that is, could have a series of "encore" matches. Explanation. Lets say that Bruno goes into Detroit and beats Art Thomas. The following month, a match of Bruno versus one of the better villians would be necessary, possibly against Kox or some other top notcher. The third time around, Bruno could demand, and get, a match against The Shiek. Bruno, popular before he even shows in Detroit, would be even more popular after beating Thomas and Kox. His match with the Shiek could easily be the highest drawing card in the history of Detroit.

The same holds true down in Texas. After beating Waldo, Shibuya, Austin and so forth, a match against Fritzie would fill any arena in the area, including the Astrdome. And if Bruno beat Fritz, then matches with Thesz or even Kiniski would follow. Each out-drawing the one previous.

Now when a top notch man like Bruno goes into an area, he usually gets paid a per centage of the gate. A regular pay versus the percentage. In other words, the more people they draw, the more Bruno gets paid. The promoter has to pay him that particular amount whether they draw one person or ten thousand people. But the higher the gate, the higher the pay received by Sammartino. Make sense? In other words, a bit of advertising on the part of Bruno would assist him in ensuring just a bit higher a gate and the resulting higher pay. There are only two or three men in the business who advertise themselves, but more shoul do it. If Bruno, or one of the men behind him, took out ads in the local programs for the month previous to his arrival, it would assist his drawing a good gate. The same announcement on TV, newspaper ads, one sheeters at the wrestling programs and so forth, would all help his drawing that big gate and his making of money. And his increasing popularity.

Any of these matches that draw well in the other man's cities would also draw well here. But only if the local fans here find out about the first match. In other words, they have to find out that a match between Sammartino and whoever drew the largest gate in the history of whatever city is involved. Does that still make sense? Advertising is a must of the entire trip or tour.

I've deliberately left out one name thus far. A bit of back-ground music; wrestling is led by people; people have likes and dislikes. People with whom they prefer working with and those with whom they do not like working with. One too many "withs" We are now talking about an area of endeavor in which these likes and dislikes should not be involved; we are talking about making money. So lets talk about the match that would out-draw any other match humanly possible. Who holds the record for the largest gate in the history of New York City? For Chicago? For St. Louis? For Buffalo? For Montreal? All the same man: Buddy Rogers. A match between Bruno and Rogers; even I would go to see it. Yankee Stadium would not be big enuff.

So once again we ask how a person can increase his popularity and again we say that the easiest and surest way is by leaving the area involved. Leaving it, going to other areas and wrestling, and beating, the best that that area hasto offer. The re-match, held in our area, would be sell-outs in any city or anrena in our area.

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It seems that for any and every problem in the world, I have an answer. Even for those problems that no one recognizes or admits exist other than myself. If I am so smart, why ain't I rich?

RESULTS FROM TEXAS

2 June. HOUSTON. Jack Brisco W Jack Pesek. Danny McShane D Yamamoto. Tarzan Tyler W Vic Rivera. Nick Kozak W Jim Bernard disq. Bernard and Mike Paidousis W Kozak and Paul DeMarco.
6 June. FT. WORTH. Yamamto W Bernard disq. Fritz Von Erich W Buddy Austin. Buddy Moreno W Tyler. Brisco W Danny Plechas. Juan Hernandez W Paidousis.
7 June. LUBBOCK. Bearcat Wright and Thunderball Patterson W Bob Ellis and Dory Funk Jr. Al Torres W Alaskan disq. Medics W Jerry Kozak and Danny Miller. Maurice Vachon W Chief Little Eagle.
8 June. AMARILLO. Alaskan W Little Eagle. Bob Duncan W Medic 2. Ellis and Torres W Patterson and Wrigt disq. Miller and J. Kozak W Vachon and The Duke. Miller and Kozak W Torres and Ellis. Miller and Kozak W Medics for title.
9 June. HOUSTON. Pesek W Plechas. Shibuya W Tarzan Orasco. Brisco D Paidousis. Fritz and Waldo W DeMarco and Rivera. Bernard W Karl Kox.
12 June. FT. WORTH. Brisco W Pesek. Moreno W Plechas disq. Paidousis W Roberto Pico. Austin W DeMarco. Shibuya W Bernard.
13 June. DALLAS. Paul Jones W Hernandez. Toni Rose W Little Cloud. Paidousis and Tyler W Brisco and Yamamoto. Waldo W Shibuya. Fritz W Bernard.
14 June. SAN ANTONIO. DeMarco W Bernard disq. Rose W Little Cloud. Moreno W Pico Hernandez W Austin. Stu Gibson and Paidousis W Brisco and Pesek.
14 June. LUBBOCK. Doncan D J. Kozak. Torres, Funk Jr and Little Eagle W Patterson, Alaskan and Harley Race. Wright W Ellis. Funk Sr. W Medic 1.
15 June. AMARILLO. J. Kozak W Vachon. Funk Jr and Torres W Medic 1 and The Duke. Patterson D Race. Ellis vs Wright, dual disq.
16 June. CLOVIS, N.M. Medic 1 " J. Kozak. Patterson W Funk Sr. Silento Rodriguez and Kozak W Medics.
16 June. HOUSTON. Bernard W Yamamoto. DeMarco W Paidousis. Waldo W Hernandez. Brisco W Pesek. Moreno W Pico. Austin W Jones. DeMarco W Waldo disq. Austin D Brisco. Bernard W Moreno. Little Cloud W Rose. DeMarco W Austin disq. Bernard W DeMarco.
19 June. FT. WORTH. Joe Scarpa W Pesek. Little Cloud W Rose. Brisco and DeMarco W Pico and Plechas. Joe Blanchard W Paidousis disq. Bernard W Austin.
20 June. DALLAS. Jones W Pico. Hernandez D Benny Matta. Scarpa W Plechas. Paidousis W Waldo. Bernard W Blanchard.

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On 8 July, there will be a match in Ft. Worth that will probably set an attendance record un-matched in the history of a place used to doing things in a big way. It will head-line Kiniski versus Fritz Von Erich. Plus 8 other matches. The Turnpike Stadium is the site. Sure wish I could be there; it sounds good.

The area is dieing. All they got new this past month is Karl Kox, Maurice Vachon, Paul Jones, Joe Scarpa, Benny Matta, Harley Race, Roberto Pico, and the girls. Six new, top stars in one month. In other words, the area has the best wrestling, the best promoting, the wildest matches, the best wrestlers of any area in the world today. They's wild and goodies.

It seems that Bearcat Wright has become a villian in west Texas. Can some one let me know if this is for real?

I will always be intrigued by this area. The promoters work long and hard to get the best possible wrestlers, then match them in such a way as to ensure wild matches. I only wish that every promoter in the world was like these in Texas. It would make my job so much more fun. I love to give praise, and these men deserve it. I mean, for real, they's the bestest.

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It is hard to beleive that other promoters do not operate the same way as do the men in Texas. I shudder to think of what would happen if they all did. More matches, better matches, better wrestlers, more talent, more of everything.

PEN PALS

1. Kenneth Blackston of 2366 East 120th. Los Angeles, Calif is the prexie of the Bobo Brazil fan club and would like to hear from all of his fans.
2. Peter N. Taylor of 44 Linford Rd. Waltham Forest E17. London, Eangld would like pen pals here. He is 20 years old, but does not list his favourite wrestlers.
3. Robert W. Carter of 388 Griscom Dr. Salem, N.J. 08079 would like pen pals. Favourite wrestlers are Sammartino, Bulldog Brower and Spiros Arion. He is 13 years old.
4. Keith Chase of 238 Sherbrook Blvd. Upper Darby, Pa ;9082 would also like pen pals Favourite wrestler is Spiros Arion.
5. Donald R. Gibson of Rt 3. Lewisburg, KY 42268 would like pen pals and info on fan clubs. Favourites are Johnny Valentine and Lou Thesz. Would like to join active fan clubs for either and to hear from all of their fans. Also likes Jackie Fargo and Ronnie Etchison. Don is 19 years old.
6. MissLeoborta Boron of 3315 Grafton St. Dallas, Texas 75211 is the prexie of the Billy Red Lyons fan club and would like to hear from all of his fans. This club is one of the VERY BEST in the business and I heartily recommend it.
7. Miss Ann Stoddard of 657 South Harper. Laurens, S.C. 29360 is the prexie of the Paul DeMarco fan club. Would also like to hear from his fans.
8. Celia Guerrero of 10554 Ferguson Rd. Dallas, Texas 75228 is the prexie of the Ox fan club. She, too, would like to hear from his fans.
9. Mark Lieberman of Box 44. Hughsonville, N.Y. would like a pen pal in Hawaii, Florida and Georgia. Mark is a goodie.
10. Randy Hirsch of 77 Spricewood Dr. Levittown, N.Y. 11756 is the prexie of the Spiros Arion fan club and would like to hear from his fans.
11. Wade ~~Mxt~~ Norton of Box 1, Rt 1. Otoy, Texas 77583 would like pen pals who like Vittorio Apollo, Gorilla Monsoon, The Yankees, tho Assassins, and Penny Banner.
12. Danny Goddard of 462 Gift Ave. Atlanta, Ga 303.6 is the prexie of the Sputnik Monroe fan club and would like to hear from his fans. This club is also one of the best in the business.
13. Pat Bartolotto of P.O. Box 432. Orange, N.J. would like to hear from fans of Judy Grable and Penny Banner.
14. Charlotte Lukas of P.O. Box 4254 is the prexie of the Frank Holtz fan club and would like to hear from his many fans.
15. Mike Hardaley of Star Rt. Shongaloo, La 71072 would like pen pals. Does not list favourites.
16. Dorothy Paget of West Littleton. Chippenham, Wiltshire, England is the prexie of the Prince Maiava fan club and would like to hear from his fans.
17. Michael Field of 13 Queens Rd. Richmond, Surrey, England would like to hear from fans of Ken Hollis.
18. Arthur Bronson of 2622 Wabash. Kansas City, Mo. 64127 is the prexie of the Geigel/Brown fan club. Would like to hear from their fans, if there are any.
19. Anthony Calalrese Jr of 30 Poppy Ave. Frnklin Square, N.Y. 11010 would like to hear from fans of Cora Combs; also to join a fan club for her.
20. Miss Marie Bresina of Box 125. Altoona, Wis would like to hear from fans of Chris Markoff. She is 18 years old. Her zip code is 54720.

While on the subject of zip codes, I have found that long distance mail is a full day earlier with them. Please, PULEEZE include them in all addresses.

21. Janice Johnson of 126 /Kashmuir. San Antonio, Texas 78223 would like to hear from fans of Nick Kozak, Apollo and Bearcat Wright. She is 13 years old.
22. Barry Colbert of 25 Beechenord. Larkman Lane. Norwich, Norfolk, England would like to hear from fans of the Assassins. Also the Vulkoff Bros.
23. Virginia Coomer of 2723 Holmes St. Kansas City, Mo 64109 is the prexie of the Viking fan club and would like to hear from all of his fans. This is another goodie club; one of the best.
24. Pat Bivens of 2012 "J" Ave. Omaha Nebras. would like to hear from fans of Bobby Shane, Ron Reed, Tim Woods and Verne Gagne.
25. Terry Teagarden of P.O. Box 145. Oak Harbor, Ohio 43449 is the prexie of the new Bobo Brazil fan club and would like to hear from his fans.
26. Mrs. Helen Tarp of 145 Martin St. Lemoore, Calif 93245 would like to get good fotos of Pat Patterson, Skull Murphy and Ray Stevens.

For fotos of these men, as well as most others in the world of wrestling, the best place is from Boyd Pierce of Box C. Burleson, Texas 76028. Very good work, and I heartily recommend it.

27. Maxwell Miller of 225 S. Alden St. Philadelphia, Pa. 19139 is the prexie of the Wrestling Newsflash, covering mainly news of Philly and this area. Only ten cents an issue; tis a bargain at that.

28. Cheryl Westfall of 326 Cowlitz. Kelso, Wash 98620 would like pen pals liking Jim Starr, Bob Sweetan and Tito Kupa.

29. Pam Daniels of 544 Leonard Rd. Norfolk, Va. 23505 is the prexie of the George Becker/Johnny Weaver fan club and would like to hear from their fans.

30. Ivan H. Barnes of Lot 216. Yanderra, N.S.W. Australia would like pen pals and info on any of the top girls wrestlers including Stewart, Byers, Burke, Moolah, Weston and so forth. On this as well as any out-of country pen pals, the air mail letterets are perfect. Costing only 13 cents each, they can be mailed anywhere in the world.

31. Mrs. Lena Woodyard of 2001 Swenson St. Abilene Texas 79603 would like to hear from all fans of Danny Boy Miller. She is the prexie of his fan club, one of the best now around.

32. Miss Charlotte Irvine of P.O. Box 2772. Commercial Street Station, Springfield, Mo. 65803 is the prexie of the new Gorgeous George Jr. fan club. Would like to hear from all of his fans.

33. Mrs. Helen Hill of Rt 1, Box 213. Kersey, Colo would like pen pals who like Igor Vodik, Reggie Lisowski, and Verne Gagne. Helen is a real goodie.

34. Linda Clark of P.O. Box 177. Boyd, Texas 76023 would like to hear from all fans of Fritz Von Erick.

35. Miss Diane Gerlack of 254 Avenue D. South. Saskatoon, Sask, Canda is the prexie of the new Dave Ruhl fan club, one of the finest clubs I've ever seen. Would like to hear from all of his fans.

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Several people have asked me about advice for a fan club. What is to be included in the bulletins, what info the members need to follow the career of the honorary, how to get additional aid and assistance from that same honorary, and so forth. Also some general remarks about fan clubs in general. So, here goes.....

Somehow, fan club bulletins get printed in which not more than one or two words are written about that particluar honorary. They include general info, results from various areas, but very little about their man. I have mentioned to a few of these fan clubs that they've made the mistake of mentioning their honorary and included the number of times they've done so. A fan club bulletin on a particluar man should mention that man (THAT MAN) and not everyone else except him. Articles and stories on the man in question, an idea as to how good a wrestler he is, descriptions of his holds, mention of feuds, important matches both past and present, and other such items. It is virtually impossible not to find plenty of info of this type either thru the members or thru your own personal remembrances of the honorary.

Other such items that will interest the members are such things as places and times at which they can see your honorary. It is entirely possible to get the complete list of when and where your honorary will be wrestling in the future month or so. This info, passed on to your members, would be a great way of having them go to see him. This would, of course, help your honorary and his followers; help them to assist the honorary futher his career. And this, of course, is the main reason why you have the club.

When your honorary sees that you are doing this (hel ping him and his craeer) he will be more apt to assist the fan club. There are many ways of helping that career blossom; writing to the promoter for whom he works, having your members write to this same promoter telling how much you and the members enjoy seeing the honorary in action Getting news and articlos on him in circulation thru magazines, other fan club bulletins and thru mail. Each president, I am sure, can think of many other such methods of doing this. The important thing, tho, is to make sure that your honorary is always before the public view. Then the honorary will do more to help the club; when he sees that he will benefit from that help.

I hope this info will be of assistance. The major thing is to give the members info that will help them follow the honorary and info that will also help the honorary and his career.

Several people have criticized me for being a bit harsh on the promoters of this country. They feel that I am overly-critical of these promoters. In the same breath they readily admit that the wrestling of their respective areas is at an all time low, but still feel that their promoters and others of this select group should not be harshly treated, and be given praise.

I wish I did not have to be so difficult with promoters. As a person with ulcers I do not like to get angry or lose my temper. The only reaction is to cause further trouble for me and my tum-tum. But the need of a critical analization is there and it is my self-imposed task to be that critic.

I do not belittle all promoters and their work. I am lavish with praise when and where it is due. As imaginable, I have a yrad-stick, a guide to use as the basis of the ability of a promoter. Simply put, the rule I use is to compare the present drawing ability of a particular town or city against their own record gate. In other words, if a city draws 10,000 at one time, I use that as a guide for that particular city. If they once averaged 7,000 a week, anything less than that loses by comparison

An ideal example of this particular basis is Baltimore. During the weekly wrestling period, they often drew as many as 13,000 a week. Now, they are lucky if they draw 10,000 a month. Another is San Francisco. A 7,000 a week average not too many years ago, versus a little over 9,000 a month now.

For those cities with regular wrestling, either weekly, bi-weekly, or whatever, the same comparison is used. One particular city draws 13,000 one gate, then 7,000 the next. This lack of consistency is hardly a recommendation for superiority. There are many cities in this category; fluctuating by as much as 50 per cent from one week to the next.

By comparison to this, look at Los Angeles. The top capacity of the Olympic Auditorium is 10,400. The average crowd is virtually 10,400. Most of the cities in Florida, Texas, the Carloinas and the Memphis, Nashville areas have this same consistency and it is these promoters who receive our praise.

It is difficult for me to say things bad about people; I've been trained all of my life to only say good, but when I see things that I feel are wrong, I am almost compelled to say that which I have said. I usually cool off before I do say them, and keep them clean, by my thots do not always stay on the level of the printed remarks. In other words, I think more harshly than I write.

Now that you see the means by which I judge the actions of the promoter, I have to ask whether I am too harsh on the promoters? Or do they get about what they deserve?

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Men like Shires of San Francisco, McMahon in Washington, Fleser in Detroit, and others, I do not even consider as promoters. They are only business men, making a living by running wrestling matches. There is a difference. Santos is a promoter; he draws good gates with men who are not quite the best in the world; Strongbow is a promoter; a man with the best record of top-notch gates in the world today. Jones of Atlanta is a promoter; more sell-outs than any other major city in the world; add Nick Gulas, Gust Karras, Milo Steinborn, Cowby Luttrell, and many others. They are the very men who keep wrestling at the fore-front of the sports world. The thers are only men who latched on to a good thing, and are doing their best to ruin it for themselves and for the ~~o~~thers.

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I wish I could remember names. Also that I could type. Also that I could find things in this darned apartment/office of mine. I am s ill looking for the floor.

In each issue of MATMANIA, we offer various awards to the men and women who make up the wrestling world. The first of these each month is to the promoter of the month. This month, the winner is a man new to the ranks of promotion. A wrestling star in his own right, he has made his area into one of the greatest in the country, by bringing in many new, top stars. His major cities all average good weekly gates, with a consistency unmatched by any other area. His top stars include every man in the NWA, the AWA and the WWA. We offer this month, the promoter of west Texas, Don Slatton, one of the greatest, new promotors around.

The second award each month is to the wrestler who, during the previous month or so did the most traveling. This month, as in all past months, we will list the various travelings to see who all did any. Bob Appel and Phil Christy left the Chicago area for Kansas. Bob Boyer left Minneapolis for the same area. Ronnie Etchison arrived there from the Ozakrks. Bobby Graham left the Atlanta area to go to Florida. Jerry Graham arrived in Atlanta from California. Leaving Calif for the Northwest was Rick Renaldo. Also arriving in the Northwest was Abdullah boy; where from, I do not know. Now also to the Northwest are Johnny Kostas, arriving from the Toronto areas; Luther Lindsey and Shag Thomas, both from the Calgary area; Bruce Kirk also from Calgary; Regi Siki from the Montreal/Toronto area; both Don Leo Jonothan and Possibly Dutch Savage from Japan; Going to Australia lately have been: Pat Patterson from Calif; Tex McKenzio from the Carloinas; Killer Kowalski from Minneapolis; Pat O'Connor from Iowa; Don Jardine from the Northwest; Art Nielson from the west Texas area; Eric Froelich from the Northwest; and Mario Milano from east Texas. Rene Goulet also left the Northwest for the Minneapolis area. Woody Farmer left California and came to the WWWF area. Carpentier has traveled back and forth between the Montreal areas and the WWWF, as has Bill Miller between here and the Ohio. Michigan areas. Paul Jones left the Northwest and is now in east Texas, as is Nick Kozak, leaving Atlanta. Karl Gotch left Hawaii, coming to Calif, and arriving in Hawaii is Billy White Wolf, from Austrlia. Karl Kox hit Texas, California and Detroit. Both Larry Henning and Harley Race hit both the Texas and Minneapolis areas. Stan and Paul Vachon arrived in Atlanta, Stan leaving Omaha, and Paul, yes, where did he come from now? Rick Hunter left the Kansas area, and is also in Atlanta. Eddie Sharkey left California to return to Minneapolis. And Frank Shields left Calif to go the The Northwest. Bob Ellis hit both the Texas areas and the Omaha area. Joe Saarpa left Calif and is in Texas. As in times past, we are going to give two awards this month. The first is Maurice Vachon; he hit west Texas, the Minneapolis and Omaha areas, and the Montreal areas. The second is to Ernie Ladd; the big guy hit northern Calif, southern Calif, the Detroit areas, and Texas. They is movers, boobies.

The third prize each month is to the fan of the month. Once again, we will give two awards, both on basis of recommendations by our members. The first is to Mr James Cloudy. When we decided to discontinue our complete reporting of results, James volunteered to do so. His results reporting, only those missed in MATMANIA, will be sent to all people interested, and who send me or him results, BUT for the cost of postage. If you want his results, let me know direct and I will forward the info to James.

The second is for the prexie of a brand new club. One of the greatest, grandest, most wonderful girls in the world of wrestling, hers club is for one of the finest young wrestlers around. I speak of Miss Charlotte Irvine of the Gorgeous George fan club. For complete info on this club, drop Char a line at 1943 West Thoman. Springfield, Mo. 65803. Shes a goodie.

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Actually, every member of our club deserves the prize as the fan of the month. If we attempted to give this award to each and every person who deserved it, we could fill the entire bulletin. Uncle Burt luvs ya all. The first person to bawl gets a set of knuckles right in the face. Kaboom.

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this issue, as in all past, I am going to take this opportunity to thank all of the people who have assited me in the preparation of this bulletin. Most especially do want to thank all of those people who sent me results during the past month or so. Without this help, I could not possibly put these bulletins out. The list is far to long to mention everyone, but special mention must be made to Earl Elder, Barry Winnick and Dean Silverstone. For assistance on the life history of Buddy Rogers, I would like to thank all those members of the old results club who have assited us; notably Don Luce, Tom Gannon, and Bob Miller. To those who helped with articles and general news, I'd like to thank Linda Pounders for her article on the Andersons, James Plant for the articles on Rogers, and Lena Woodyard for hers on Danny Miller.

A most ephatic thanx goes to the three people whose help and assitance are beyond a doubt the most ever given one person. I speak of my three right hands, Ray Plunket, Diane Devine and Norm Kietzer. All three of these fine people are hard-working, industrius, and wonderful. Boobies, me luvs ya.

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We have a limited number of back issues of MATMANIA avaialable. They are: the August issue, including the life hitory of Ed Lewis; the September ish, with the life history of Pat O'Connor; the October ish, with articles on Verne Bottoms, Don Arnold and many others; the November ish, with the life history of Szander Szabo; the April ish, including items on Gene Kiniski and Curtis Iaukea; the May ish (our last) including our normal coverage of news, plus the life history of Bill Miller. Each of these bulletins are at least fifty pages of news, results and general info and are avaiable for fifty cents each; order all six for 2.50 and receive extras such as programs, news clippings and so forth.

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For those interested in old rewults, our club for this important portion of wrestling is a must. The dues are only 1.50 a year, and the members receive the various life histroies done by us, plus special old time results. The address is the same as mine, 348 East 49. New York City. 10017

For those reading the bulletin for the first time, we'd like to say welcome aboard. Any ideas or suggestions that you might have, feel free to suggest them. We make not TAKE the suggestion you have, but don't let that stop you.

What is next for MATMANIA? The July issue of MATMANIA will include the life history of Bobby Orton, plus articles on Bob Ellis, Bobby Shane and others. The August issue will include pictures and articles on many of them men of Europe and South America, plus the recent life record of Ricki Starr. Both issues will have a few surprieses in them. They are even a surprie from me, thus far. In future issues of MM, we will be having life histories on Freddie Blassie, Danny Miller and many other top-notho wrestlers from around the world.

As mentioned last month, James Cloudy will be taking over our reporting of results. Please continue sending them to me and I will see that he gets them. James and I have long worked together closely, as we will be in future months and years. Much grass, as always, bobobies.

Above, we mentioned those features coming up in the next few issues of MATMANIA. To receive all of these bulletins, our yearly dues is only 5.00 a year and you receive 12 Bull bulletins. This is a savings of a dollar a year overthe monthly dues and you receive them direct via third class mail. Make all money orders and checks payable to me direct; Burt Ray. PLEASE, no cash thru the mail. Okay? Youse is a nicie for a greeing with your Uncle Burt.

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And now we come to a special feature of MATMANIA; the last page. At th[illegible] I would like to take this last opportunity to thank all of those who have helped us in the advertising of our club and work. Especially Lew Eskin of Wrestling Revue; Norm Kietzer of Mankato, Minn; Russel Plummer of the Wrestler magazine in England and Dean Silverstone of Seattle. They are all goodies and have been wonderful helps to me and our club.

A further thanks goes to all of those wrestlers and promoters who have co-operated with us in the way of publicty for us and, in return, for them. Especially in this group is Phil Christy, Jackie Fargo, Freddie Rogers, Bob Kappel, and the Masked Dansky. All have been excellent assistnts to us. They's goodies.

Lastly, a thanks to all of the men and women who are the wrestlers, promoters and referees of our beloved wrestling. Without them, life would indeed be dull. A thamx to the men and women of the Black and Blue. We luvs ya.

This then, completes this issue of MATMANIA. We sincerely hope you like and enjoy it and will find it of interest; enuff so you will want to see all future issues of it. Many grasses to you all and we luvs ya.

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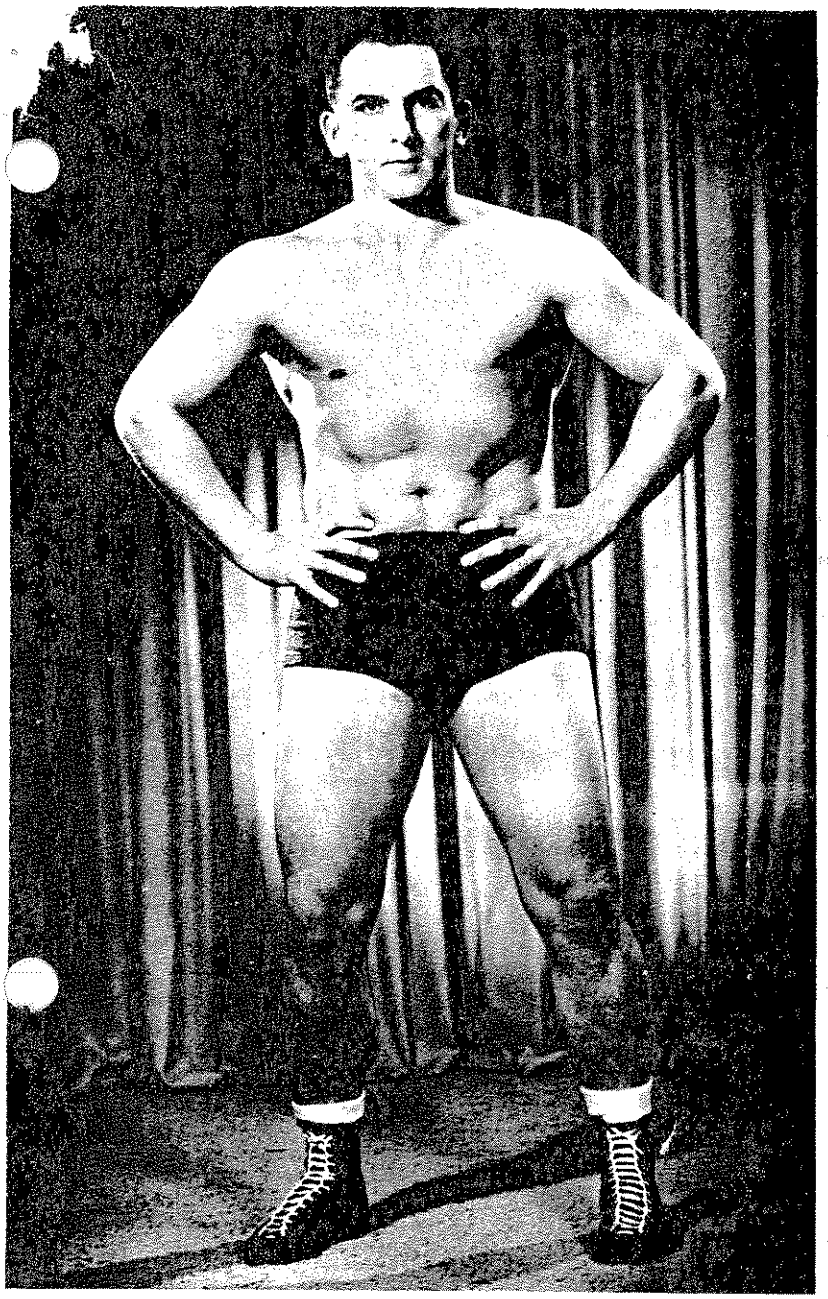

HERB GERWIG

Herb Gerwig, the man on the right, is well known throughout the world of wrestling. Currently wrestling under another name, he is one of the top men around. In a later issue of MATMANIA, we will be including a story on him, Gerwig, from the 1957 period, from which the picture was taken. A hearty pat on the back for everyone who recognizes Herbie.

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One of the greatest wrestlers and drawing cards this world has ever seen was a tall Italian by the name of Primo Carnera. Called the Ambling Alp, he tore up the complete world of wrestling, winning every major title around, including a version of the world title, both singles and tag. He covered the world, and wrestled in every country that had wrestling during his hey-day.

His career covered a period of well over twenty years, during which, he met and beat virtually every name around. He was one of the top money makers of all time, and was an sure sell-out attraction.

He became a U.S. citizen while here, and lived near Philadelphia until recently. About the first of May, he left this country, returning to his native Italy. At the time he left here, he had been ill in the hospital with a series of ailments including a disease to his liver. In a comma much of the time, he knew he had but little time left on this Earth.

On 29 June, Primo Carnera died. He died in the village in Italy where he was born and had lived until beginning his boxing career, and later wrestling career. It was this same village at which he was married. The home-town hero had made good, and he returned to spend his last moments at his birth-place.

Carnera was a giant of a man. Not only in size, but in talents and in power. In a smport like wrestling, where powerful men are taken for granted, Primo was still an outstanding man. Da Preem was one of the few remaining giants; a good natured man, a giant, who always gave his all.

He is gone now. A little more of me died with him. He will be missed.

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We will be compiling the life record of Primo Carnera; it will be available to all the members of the old results club, plus those people who have been helpful in collecting old results. Just let me know, and it will be sent to you. Old results members, free; all others, please send me the cost of the postage.

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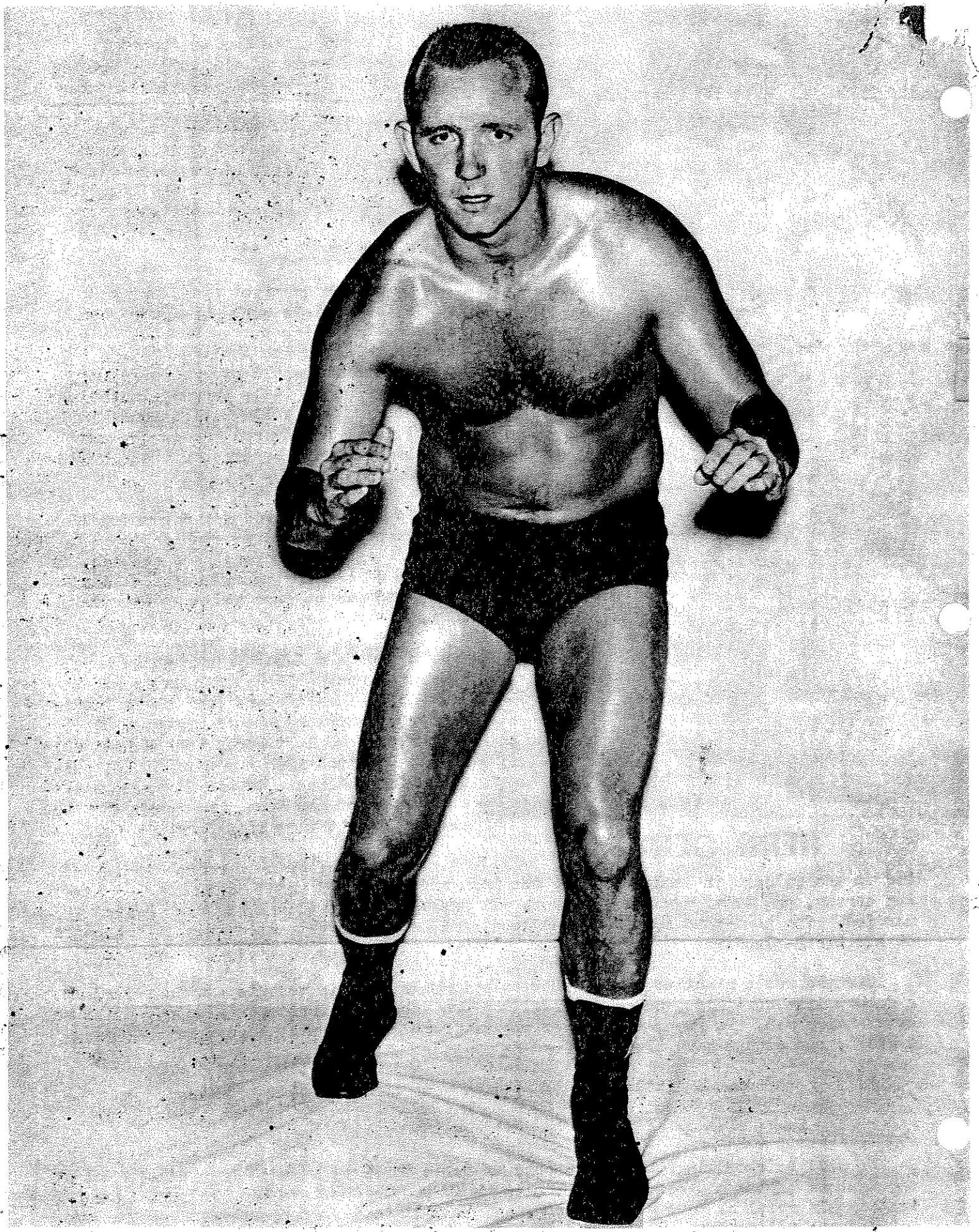

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